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OF
CLASS



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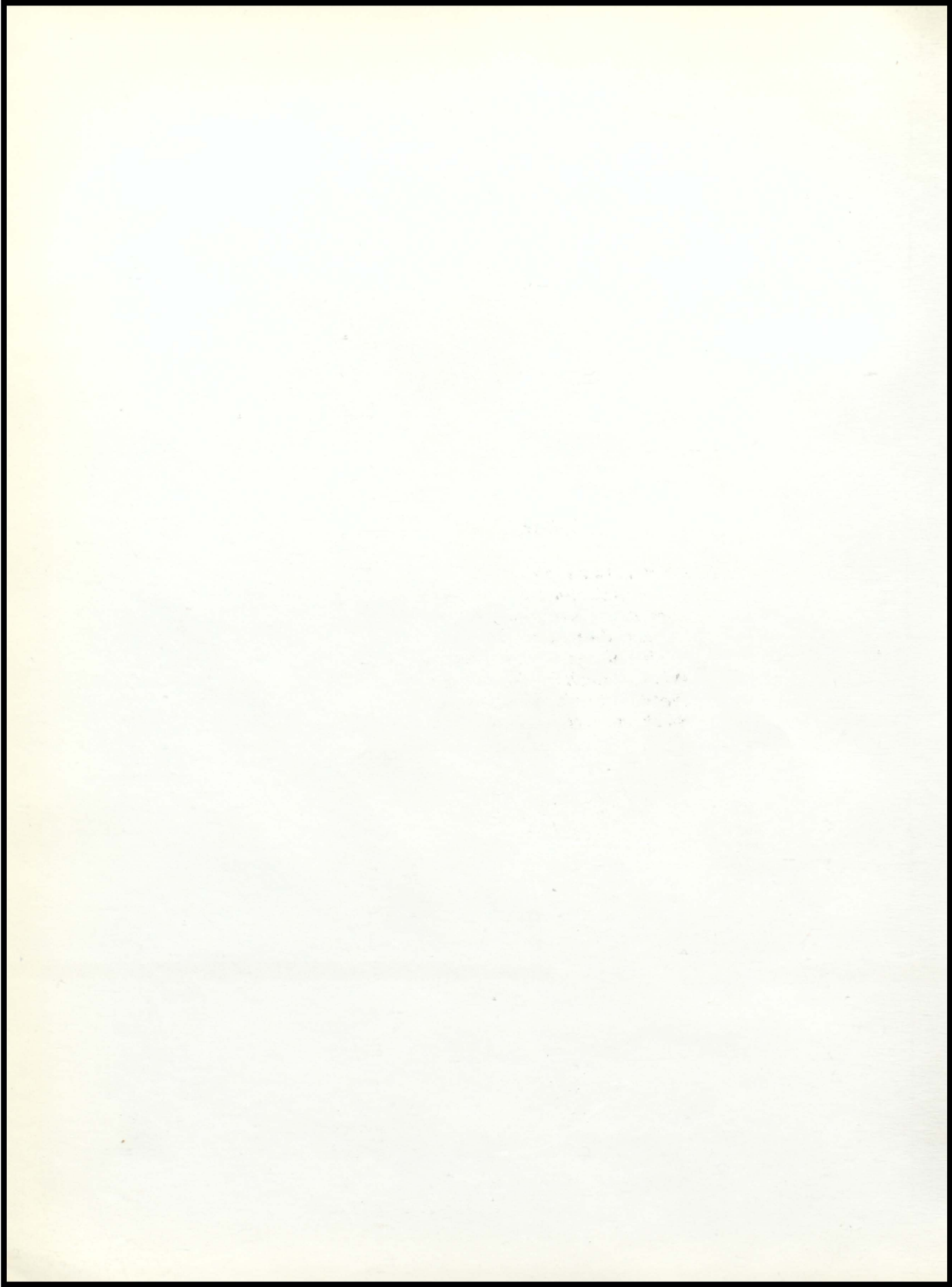
'Lift Every Voice and Sing''

*Lift every voice and sing
Till earth and heaven ring
Ring with the harmonies of liberty.
Let our rejoicing rise
High as the Listening skies
Let it resound
Loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of faith that the
dark past has taught us
Sing a song full of the hope that the
present has brought us.
Facing the rising sun
Of our new day begun
Let us march on
Till victory is won!*

— James Weldon Johnson

“Alma Mater”

***For it's always fair weather
When Malcolm X Shabazz gets together
Though the world may forsake thee
We will always loyal be
For it's always fair weather
When Malcolm X Shabazz gets together
We'll be loyal forever to our colors
Black and Gold***





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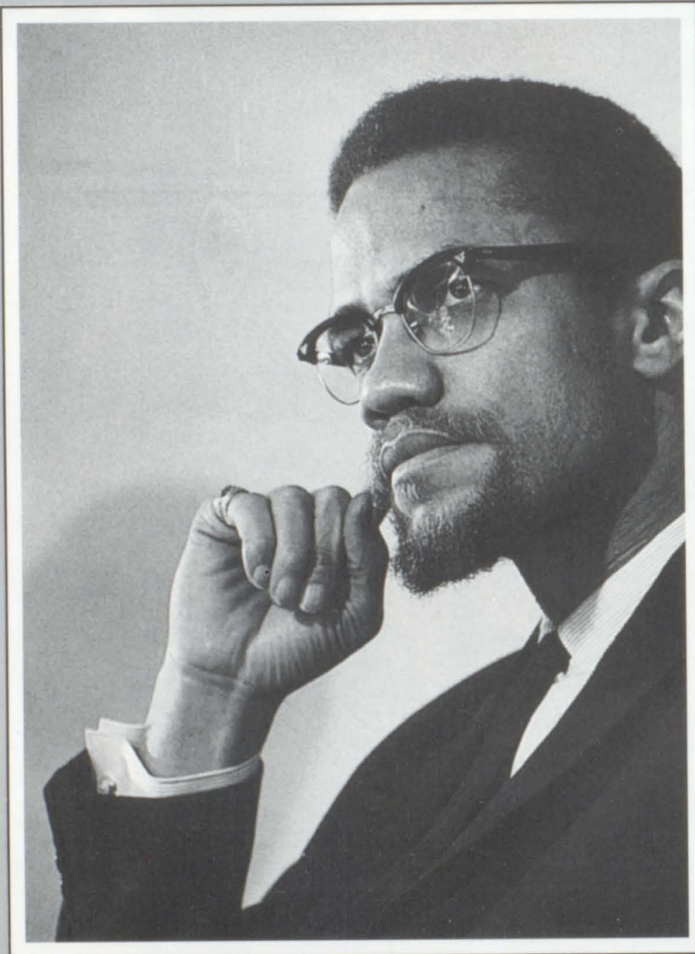
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Malcolm X Shabazz
High School

80 Johnson Avenue
Volume 78
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Enrollment 1175

A weary Shabazz Senior sits out a play in the Bulldogs' post-season game against West Morris Central H. S. in Chester. 1991 was our second playoff year in a row



MALCOLM X SHABAZZ

EL HAJJ MALIK AL-SHABAZZ

1925-1965

Malcolm X Shabazz was a man whose sense of pride in himself and in his people gave all of us a powerful model to emulate. Even today, he continues to call upon us to be the best we can be. It is our responsibility, as members of the Malcolm X Shabazz family, to know him and to share his values of self-worth and self-reliance with those who don't know the real El Hajj Malik al-Shabazz. For this was truly a man with "A Touch Of Class."

a TOUCH OF CLASS

Class

Opening	2
Faculty and Staff	4
Seniors	30
Activities	66
Academics	84
Sports	98
Underclassmen	116
Student Life	126

a TOUCH OF CLASS

Principal Ms Bennett reacts to her fifth suspension hearing of the day.



Coach McCombs heads across the field to confer with officials at the Weequahic game.

Cheerleader adviser M. Ringer makes some plans with the Shabazz Bulldog.





FACULTY
AND
STAFF

PRINCIPAL



Mary G. Bennett

Meet the Challenge

The school theme for the 1991-92 school year, your last year, is 'Meet the Challenge.' I urge you to use this theme as your guide for what lies ahead of you. Believe it or not, you will look back at your Malcolm X Shabazz High School years, as years that were relatively easy and hopefully fun.

After you complete high school, you will find that you are expected to be an adult — responsible and productive. You will be challenged in college, in the workplace and in society at large. These challenges will take many forms. Some of these will be challenges you welcome and others you will want to avoid.

When challenges arise — THINK. You have the ability to handle each. If you remain calm and plan what you need to do you will be successful. Allow no one to curtail or inhibit your creativity. Allow no one to influence you to do anything detrimental to yourself or your future.

I have enjoyed serving as your principal, my prayers and well wishes go with you as you MEET THE CHALLENGES of your future.

Sincerely yours,

Mary G. Bennett
Principal

VICE PRINCIPALS



Charlene Baskerville



Steve McLendon



Beverly Goss



William Heady



MALCOLM X

CLASS



SHABAZZ H.S.

OF 1992

SHIRLEY AYERS
Business

EDNA BAILEY
English Chair

JACQUELINE BAILEY
Mathematics

MARLENE BASH
Mathematics



Ms Borden takes a break from
work in the main office.

DAISY BAXTER
Mathematics

LINDA BENNETT
English

CLYDE BLACKSHEAR
Special Education

WILLA BLACKSHEAR
Guidance



THOMAS BOOSE
Special Education

ANNE BORDEN
Social Studies

DENNIS BOWE
Social Studies

BETTY BRANT
Special Education





VERONICA BRIDGES
Social Studies

CARRIE BROWN
Business

JOSEPH BROWN
English

MARK BROWN
Mathematics



MsBridges "caught in the act" of making up a killer test!



FAITH BUFFONG
Special Education

FRANCINE BURNETT
English

LINDA CALDWELL
English

ARDELLA CAMPBELL
Guidance Secretary



ANTHONY CAPASSO
Physical Education/Health

GERARD CAPECE
Industrial Arts

ROSALIND CARMICHAEL
English

RAUL CEDENO
Foreign Languages

JOSEPH CICCOLINI
Business Chair

JAMES COOK
Social Studies

RAYMOND COSTANZA
Practical Arts Chair

NORMA DAVIS
Guidance



Mr. Ciccolini, the mad scheduler, at work.

ROBERT DAVIS
Social Studies

VINCEDONNA DAVIS
English

WANDA DAVIS-DILL
Science

DELOIS DAWSON
Home Economics



LAWRENCE DELORENZO
Physical Education/Health

JULIET DEROSA
Mathematics

ANN DICKEY-KEMP
Nurse

DONALD DORTCH
Special Education





HARRIET DOUGLIN
Basic Skills Coordinator

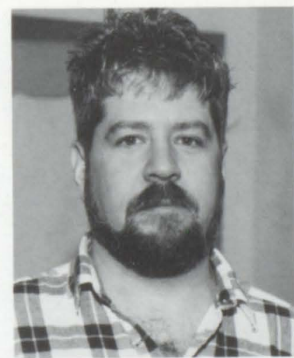
MALDINE DOWDY
Guidance

LEAMOND DOWNING
Drug Coordinator

GILDA DUNN
Business



Social Studies Chair Mr. Korbman looks up from writing one of his scathing evaluations.

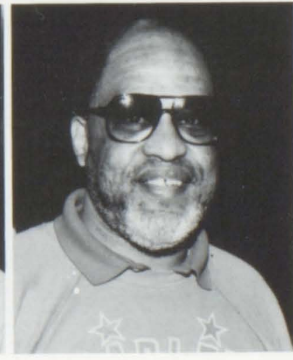


ROBERT DURKIN
English

EDWIN ELDRIDGE
Industrial Arts

JAMES ELLIOT
Business

ELVIRA ESTEVEZ
Science



SHARIF FAFFAKHAN
Social Studies

BARBARA FEDER
English

MARTIN FENDRICK
Guidance

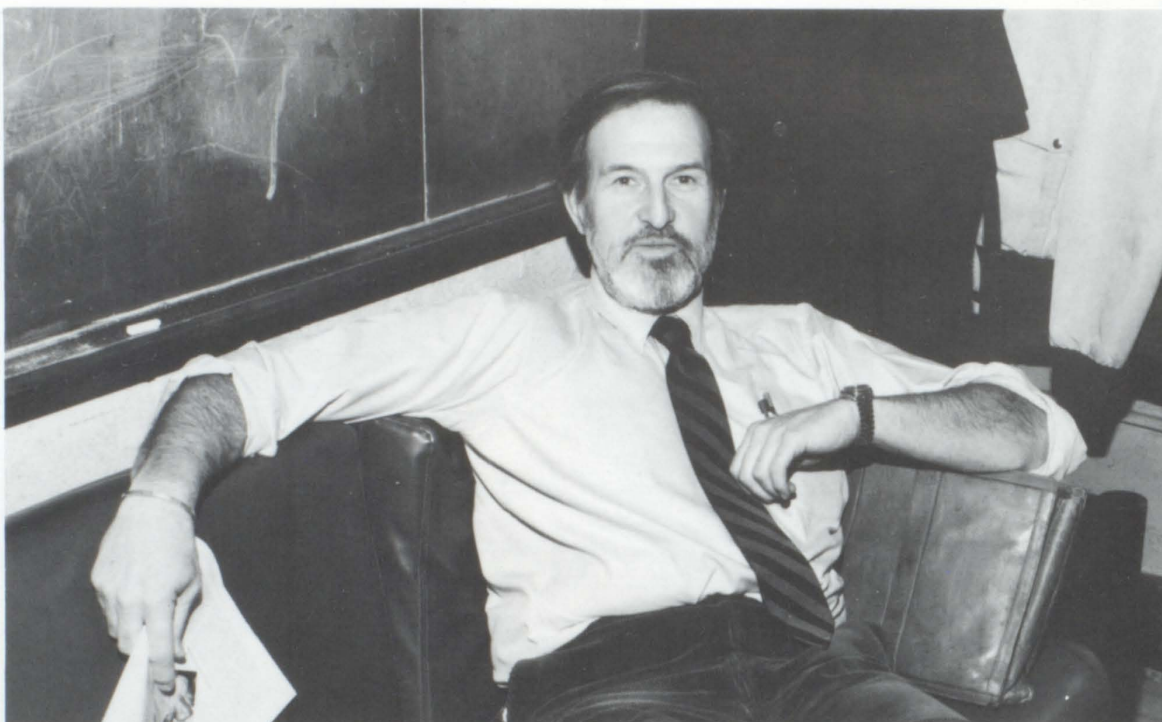
VINCENT FINCH
Physical Education Chair

MALLORY GAINES
Foreign Languages

DONALD GATLING
Mathematics

PAT GERARDO
Practical Arts

LINDA GOLSON
Main Office



Mr. January relaxes between
classes in the Social Studies re-
source room.

EULON GRAY
Social Worker

CHARITI GREENE
Media Specialist

SAUL HAMMERMAN
Science

W. RUTH HANNAH
Special Education



ANNE HARGROVE
Science

JACK HILL
Mathematics

RACHEL ISIBOR
Special Education

JOHN JANUARY
Social Studies





ADELE JOHNSON
Business

LEONARD JOHNSON
Practical Arts

JAMES JONES
Pianist

WILLILAM KIVET
Distributive Education



Ms Johnson enjoys coming up with new challenges for her word processing students.

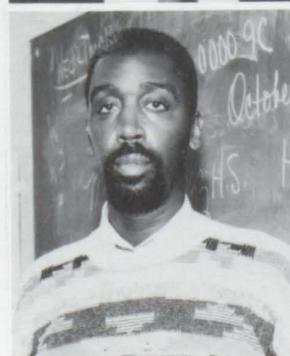


JACK KORBMAN
Social Studies Chair

ROSA KNIGHT
Mathematics

JAMES KUSHMERICK
Athletic Director

CORNELIA LAYTON
Foreign Languages



LAWRENCE LAYTON
English

CLARK LISSNER
Physical Education/Health

MAGELINE LITTLE
Media Specialist

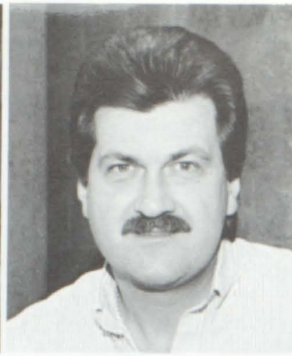
DEIDRE LITTLES
English

CONNIE MALAVE
Home Economics

JOHN MANCZUR
Practical Arts

NELLIE MCCLLOUD
Nurse

THELMA MCCLLOUD
Basic Skills Secretary



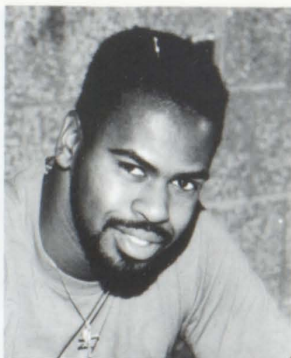
Ms McKnight at work on lesson plans for health class.

DAVID MCCOMBS
Physical Education/Health

PATRICIA MCKNIGHT
Physical Education/Health

ROSALIND MCLEOD
Scheduling Secretary

DORIS MCNEIL
Vocal Music



DORIS MINCEY
Head Clerk

ANDREW MULLEN
Attendance

JAMES MURRAY
Physical Education/Health

OWEN NEWSOME
Social Studies





WALTER OPRYSK
Guidance

RAYMOND ORMSBY
Photography

ETHEL PARKER
Business

BETH POLLAK
English



Ms Malave working on some new ideas for her Foods class.



DOREEN RAYAM
English

JESSIE RICHARD
Science

PHILLIP RICHARDS
Art

HOWARD RIHACEK
Art



PAMELA RINGER
Speech

PHILLIP PENDER
Mathematics

IRIS PHILSON
Main Office

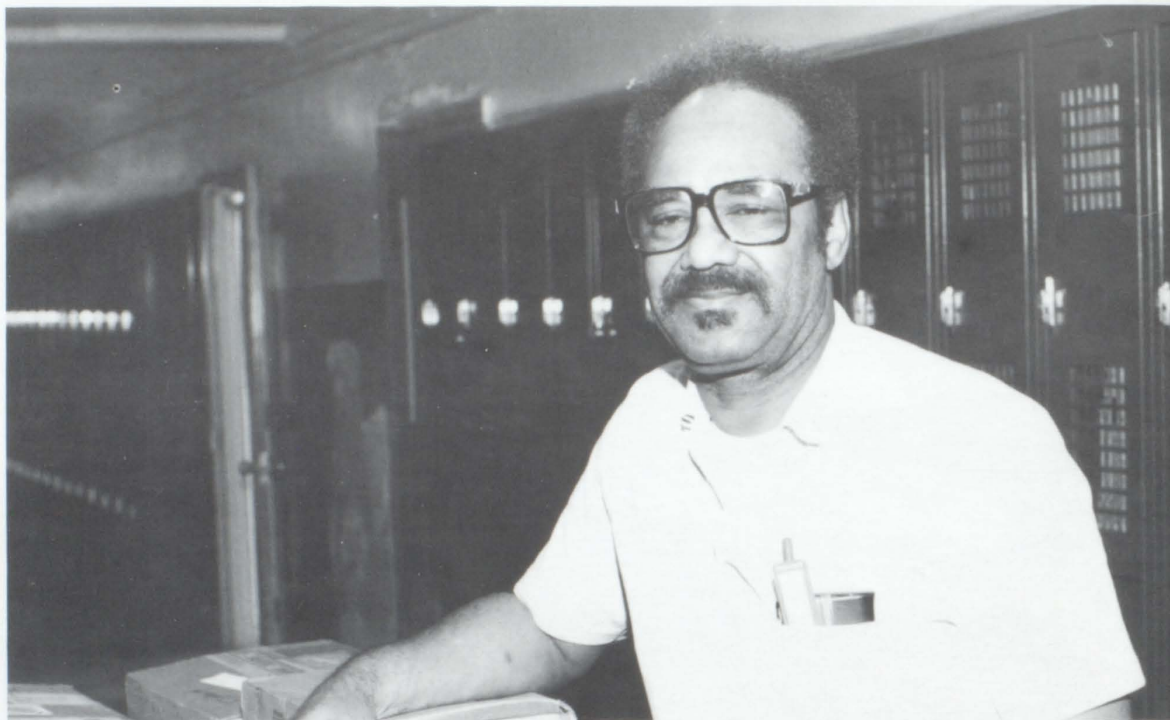
CONSTANTINE POPA
Mathematics

DEBORAH PHINISEE
Special Education

GERARD RISPO
Mathematics

ANN ROBERTSON
Attendance

MARGARET ROBINSON
Mathematics



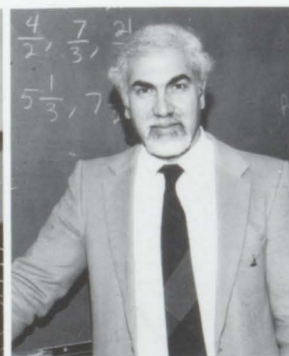
Mr. Thompson checks over a delivery for Electronics.

ANNIE ROYAL
Physical Education/Health

REFAAT SALAMA
Science

MAHMOUD SHAHROKH
Mathematics

RICHARD SHALLER
Mathematics



BARBARA SMALL
Special Education

GERALDINE SPILLMAN
Guidance

DAVID SWANSON
Mathematics Chair

MARYANN THOMPSON
English



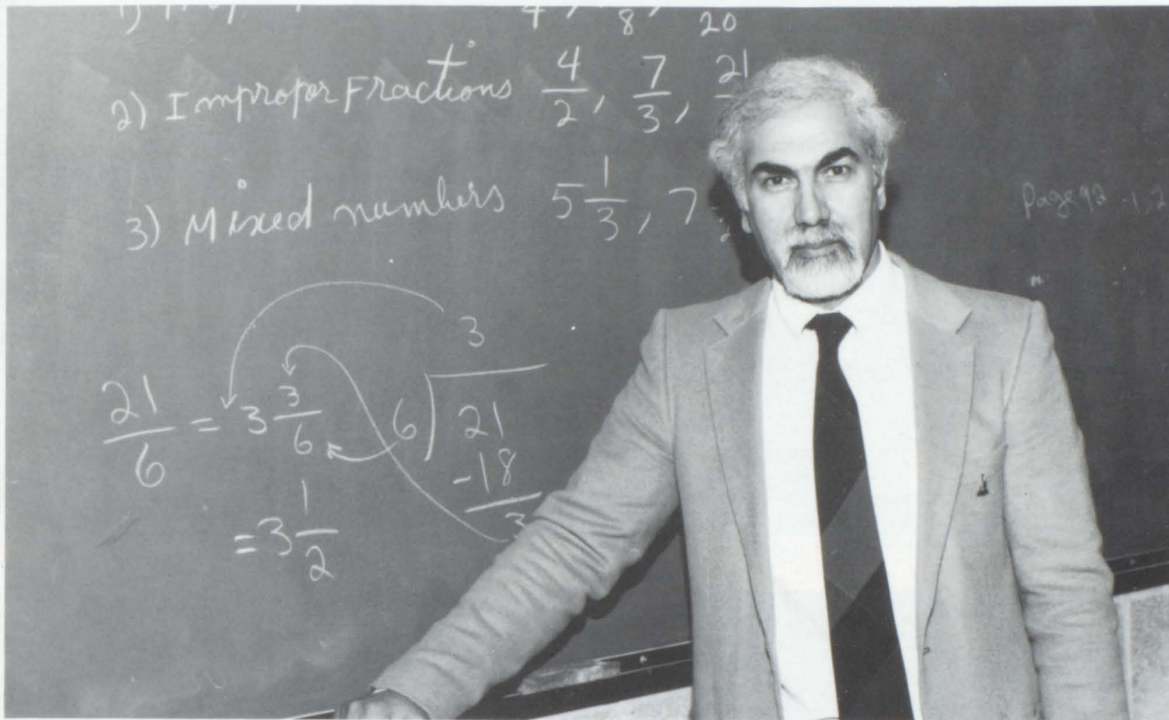


WILLIAM THOMPSON
Practical Arts

MARJORIE THURMAN
Business

FRANCES TOBIN
Crisis Intervention

PRINCESS TOWE
English



Mr. Shahrokh explains a formula for his Algebra II class.



OLIVIA TRAVITT
Mathematics

STEPHEN TREMBLY
Special Education

LYDIA TRUEHEART
English

DENISE VAN STUYVESANT
Social Studies



ARTHUR WATKINS
Head Guidance Counselor

VANESSA WATSON
Physical Education/Health

DURECIA WATLEY
Science

ROSINA WEATHERFORD
Early Childhood Education

Cafeteria ...

serving with class!

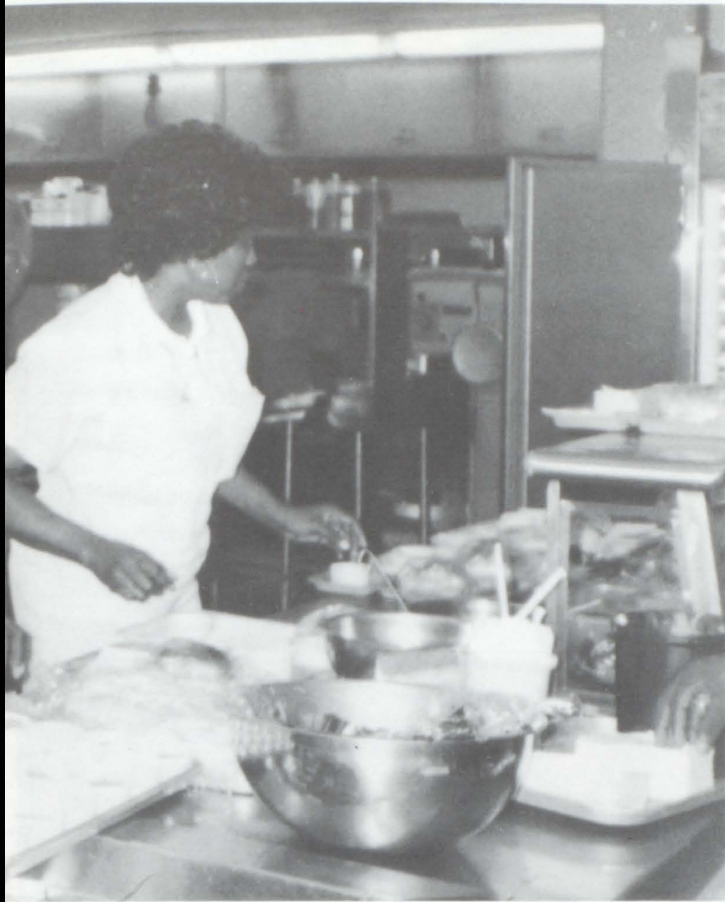
Our cafeteria staff makes sure a nutritious meal is available every day, under the direction of supervisor Ms. Barbara Carter.

They include: Shelia Bolden, Mary Clar, Edward Ford, Adrienne Johnson, Barbara Johnson, Evelyn King, Sallie McDonald, Lola Newsome, Joyce Pitts, Betty Robinson, Mavis Shipman, Darryl Taylor, Daisy Thompson, Minnie Wilkins, and Viola Wright.

Dishing up a cold lunch for the period four crowd.



Three staffers take a break from cleanup chores.



Working the hot lunch line for period five.

A piece of homemade cake is always welcome.

There's always time for a quick joke or two!

"Behind bars" at the dishwasher.

Clean and safe ...

Head Security Guard Ms. Norma Archie-Thomas.



Ms. Porter covers her post at the main entrance.



Considering the attitudes some of bring to school every day, our Security guards and Custodians hava a tough job keeping up!

Our security staff includes Head Security Guard Norma Archie-Thomas, assisted by Kevin Jackson, Addie Porter, Brenda Riley, Brenda Rogers, John Sharpless, and Sherrine Thomas.

Custodians work every day and night to try to keep up with what we leave behind every day. How many of us would like THAT job?

The day crew, led by Head Custodian Mr. Harold Hines, consists of Isaiah Donaldson, Eunice Glenn, Danny Grace, Lavern Paige, Alice Perkins, and Maude Swint.

The night crew, under the direction of Mr. Samuel Dunbar, includes Watson Barbary, Anita Cobbs, William Crawford, Dennis Hardy, Doris Lane, Willie Ryan, Donal Thomas, and Isidro Chaves.



John Sharpless mans the telephone at the main entrance.



Day crew members Lavern Paige and Isaiah Donaldson ready to face another task.

Head Custodian Mr. Harold Hines is ready for any challenge.



Ms. Alice Perkins is a long-time member of our school family.

One of the evening custodians heads off on her rounds of dirty classrooms.

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Eugene C. Campbell
Executive Superintendent

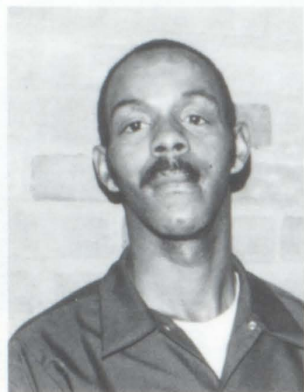


James Moore, Jr.
Assistant Executive Superintendent

Secondary School Operations



Charles Meadows
Assoc. Asst. Executive
Superintendent



In Memory

Mr. Gary Spence
Custodian
Departed This Life
June 1991

Congratulations!



Mr. Richard Williams



Mr. Joseph K. Brown

This year we said goodbye to two members of our Administrative Team who were chosen for new responsibilities by the Board of Education. When we returned to school in September, we discovered that Vice Principal Mr. Richard Williams had become the new Principal of Weequahic High School. A few weeks later, we lost another friend when Vice Principal Mr. Joseph K. Brown left to become Principal of Avon Avenue School.

We wish Mr. Williams and Mr. Brown well in their new assignments and welcome our new Vice Principals, Mrs. Beverly Goss and Mr. William Heady.



Ms. McNeil and Ms. Towe show their
"Bulldog Pride."



Basic Skills secretary Mrs. McCloud at
work.



Mrs. Phinisee can always manage a smile.

Mrs. Powell helps Shabazz students enter the work force.



Mr. Lissner may decide to go on a diet!

Mrs. Golson demonstrates the multiple talents of a secretary.



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Corey McCoy and Darrell Lee show
a little leg.



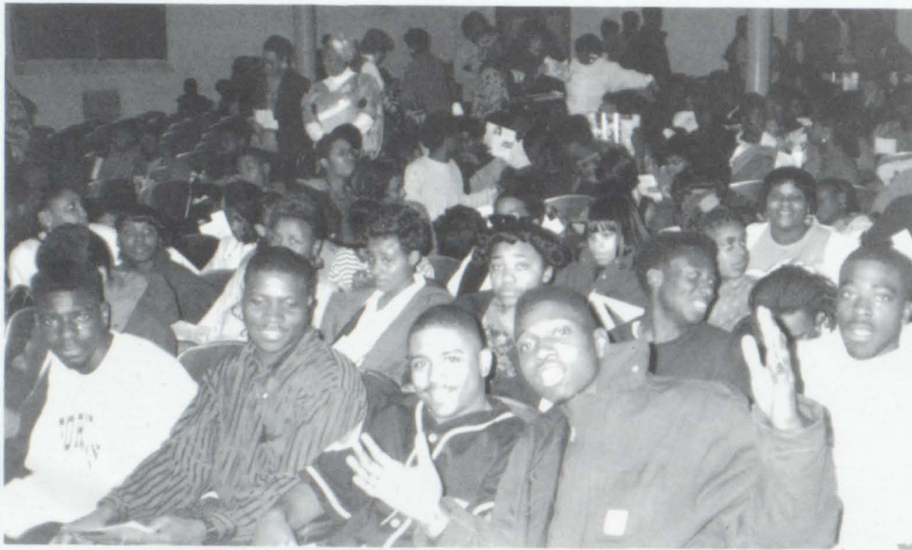
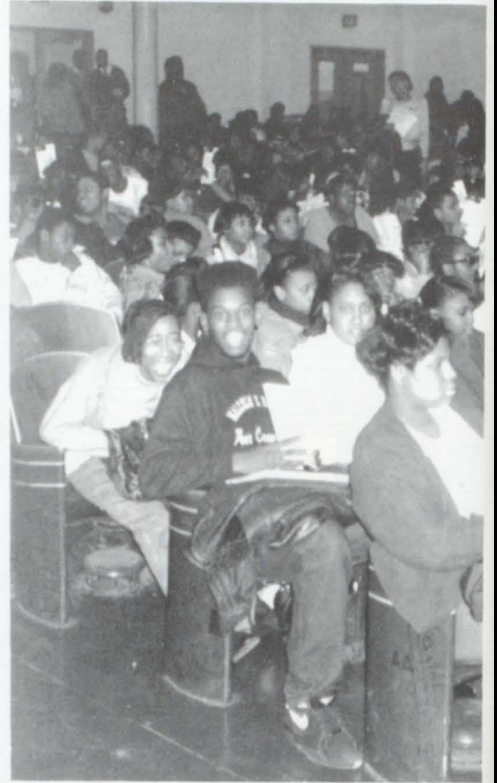
Natasha Flowers hard at work pre-
paring for a Geometry test.

Shawn Johnson contemplates the
world of Spanish.





SENIORS



*Presenting
The Class
Of
1992*

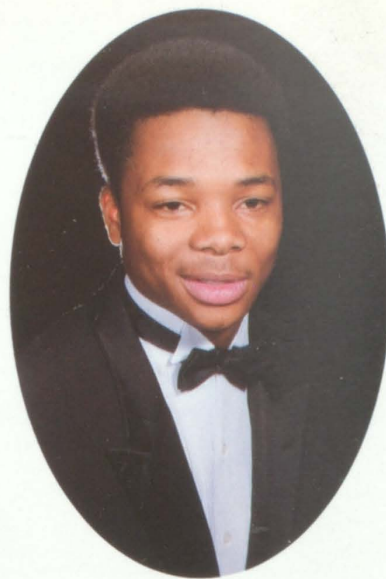




BARBARA ALICEA



JANICE ANDERSON



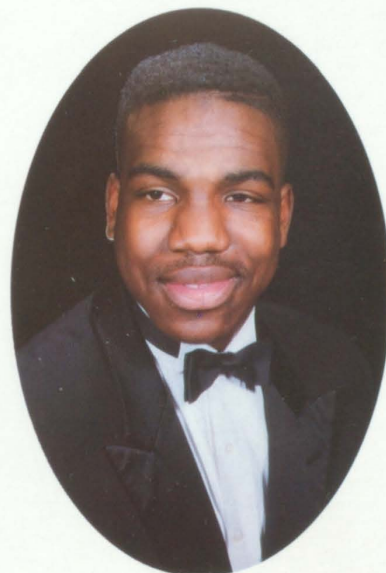
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JOSETTE AVENT



KELLY BABBS



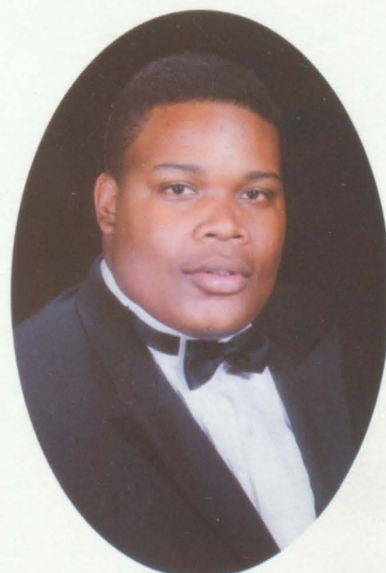
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KAMESHA BAILEY



STEPHANIE BALLARD



TRACEY BATTLES



NICOLE BARRON



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MARISOL BAEZ



MALIK BELL



NATASHA BENNETT



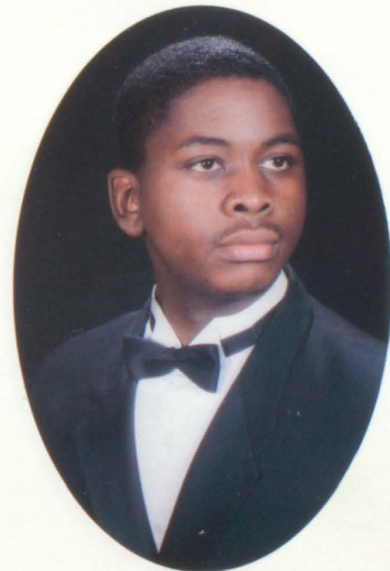
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DONNA BRODIE



GERMANI BROWN



DWAYNE BRYANT



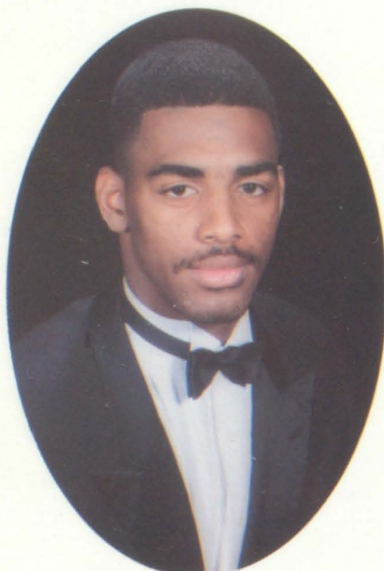
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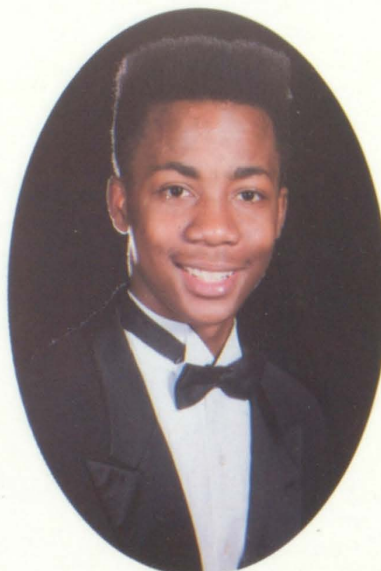
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CARLA CLARK



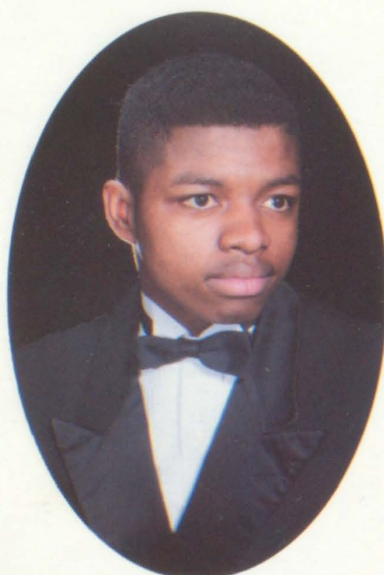
JAMES CLEMONS



ALTERICK COBB



ROBERT COOK



ANTHONY CUMMING



TRACY CUMMINGS



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TOMICIKA DAVIS



FREDA DEVONSHIRE



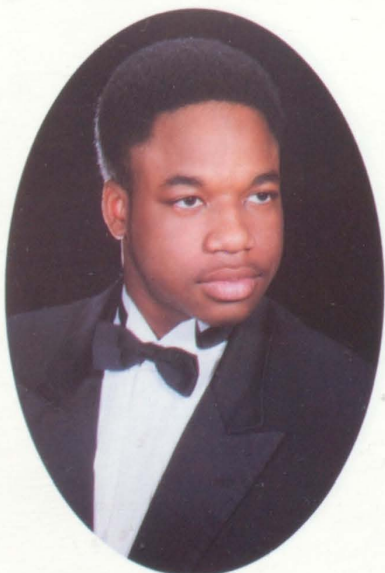
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RENEE EDWARDS



BEVERLY ELLISON



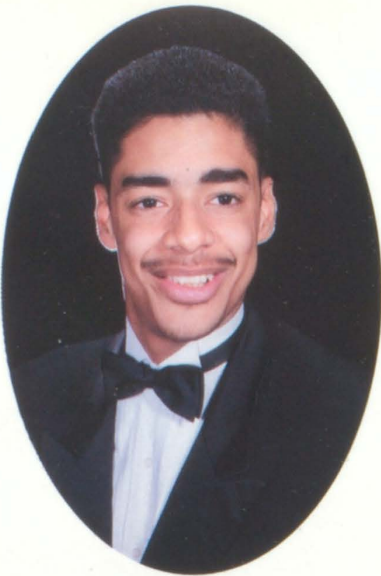
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FELICIA FLADGER



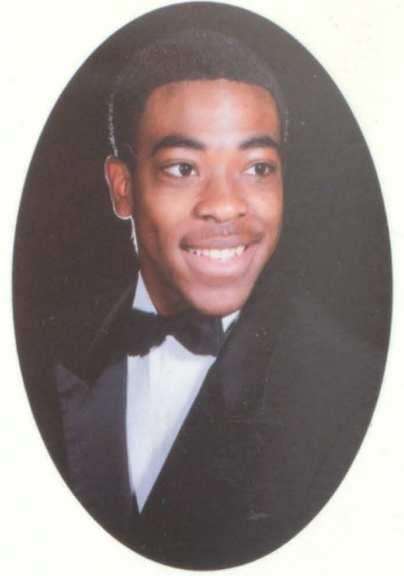
EDNITA FLORES



JOSE FLORES



NATASHA FLOWERS



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SHERONDA GRAVES



SHARONDA GREEN



PAMELA GRESHAM



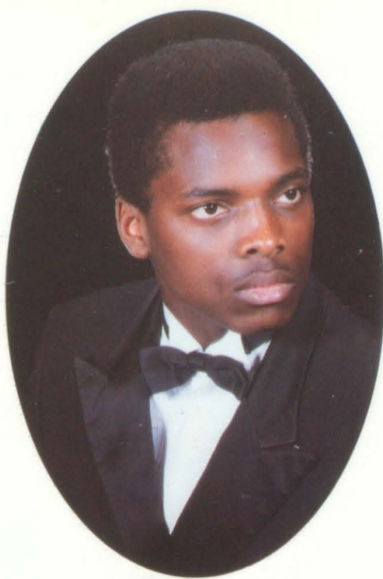
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RODNEY HAMMOCK



LATONYA HARDIN



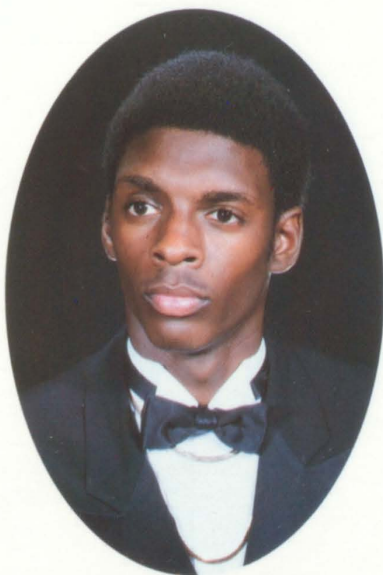
ROBERT HARDY



TAKISHA HARRELL



CONTESSA HARRIS



EDWARD HAYNES



KACHIA HAYES



PATRICIA HERBERT



TONYA HIGHSMITH



SHARRYL HILL



NICOLE HOLDEN



BRUCE HOLLOWAY



SHAKIRA HOLMES



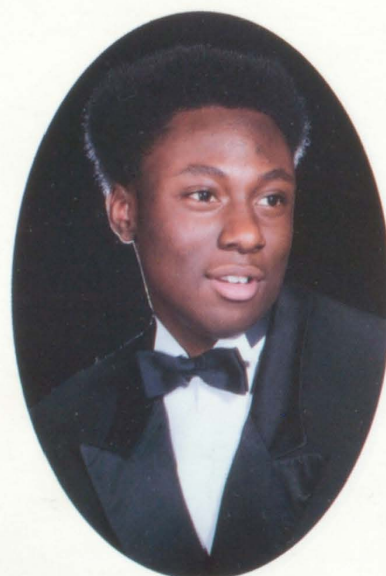
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JAMESETTA HORACE



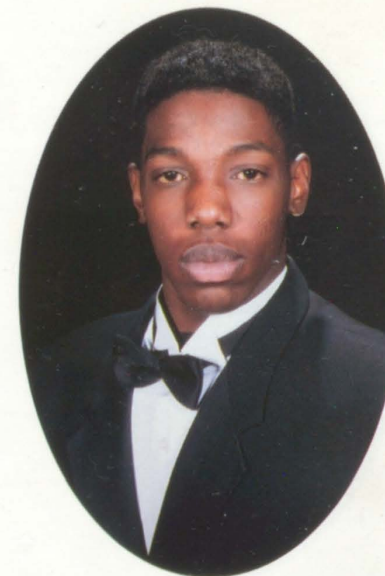
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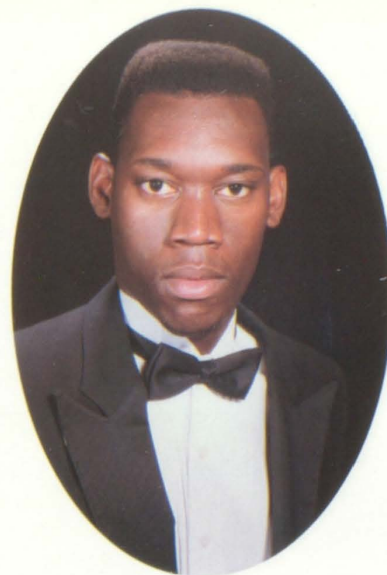
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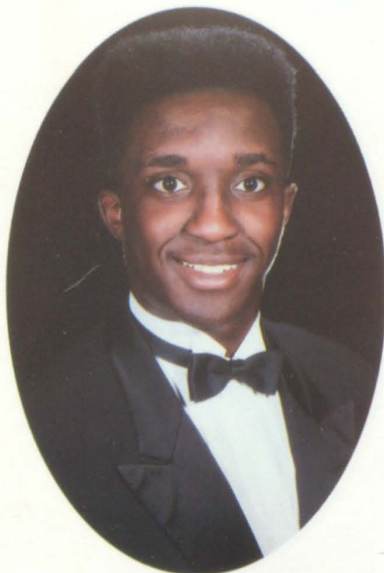
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VENETTA JACKSON



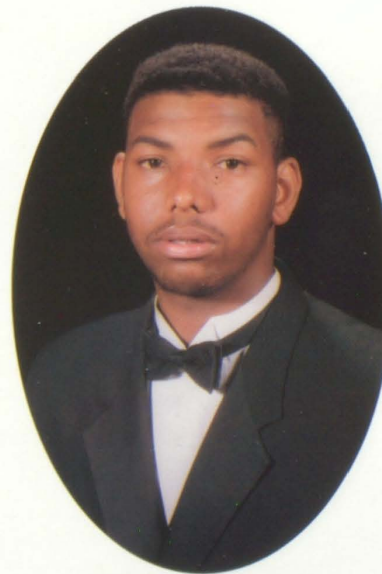
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AQUILLA JOINER



ANGELA JONES



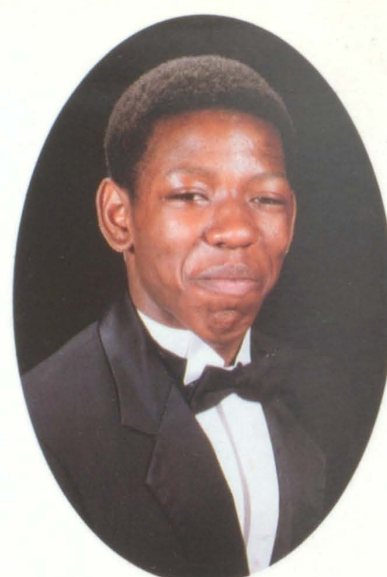
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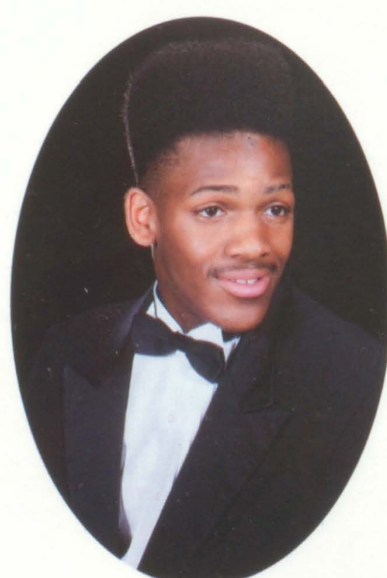
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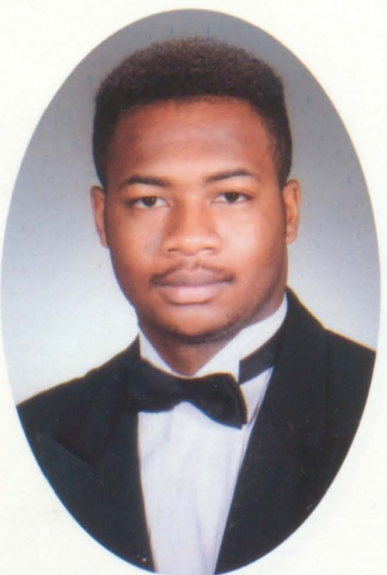
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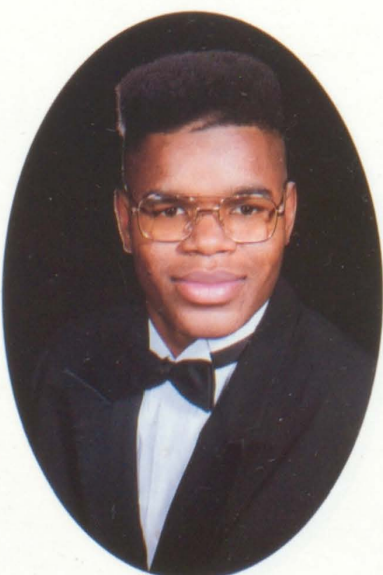
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CRAIG MCCARGO



JAMEL MCCLAIN



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BONITA MEGGETT



TAMARA MERCER



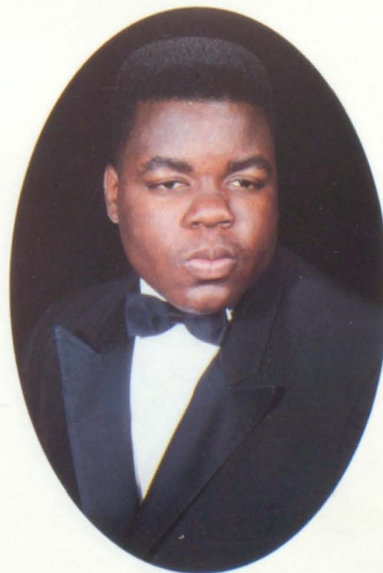
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MONIQUE MITCHELL



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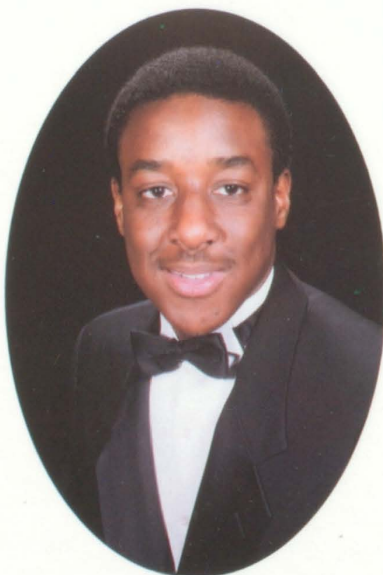
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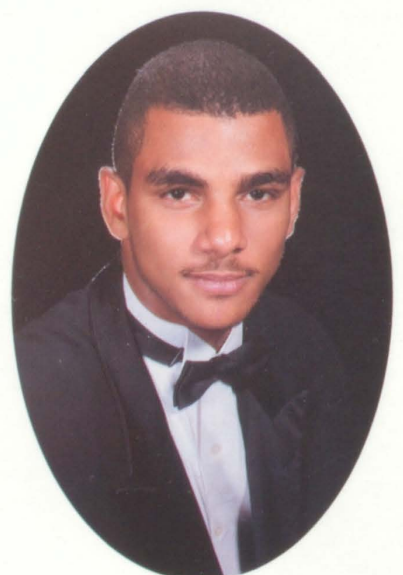
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FELICIA RICHARDSON



WALEED RICHARDSON



DAVID RIDLEY



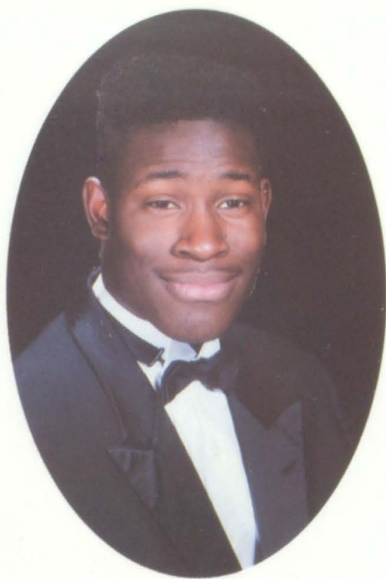
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DAMITA RIVERS



DAWN ROBERSON



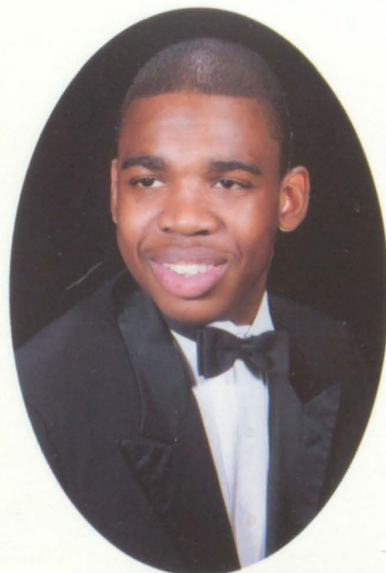
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NICOE ROSS



NICOLE RYANS



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DAMION SMITH



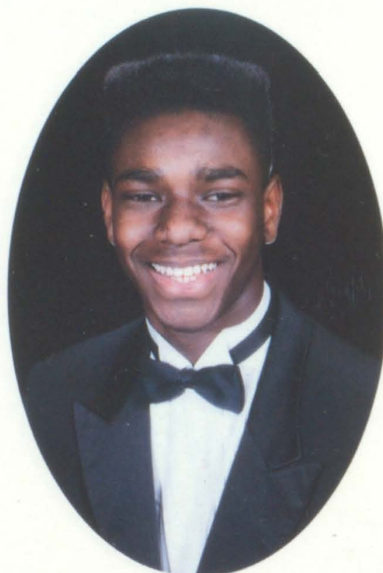
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VANTURO SPEARMAN



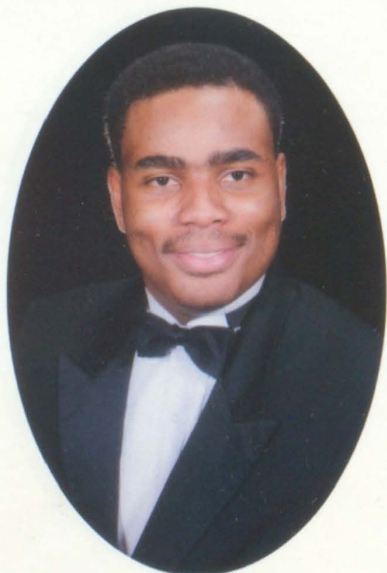
RODNEY SPENCER



COREY THOMAS



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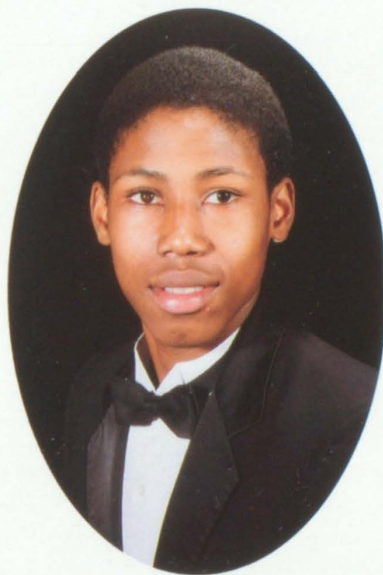
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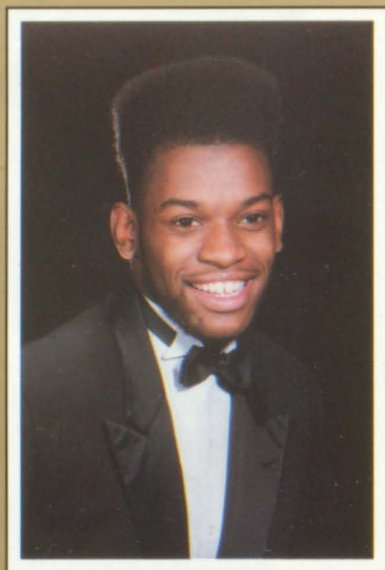


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SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS



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SENIOR CLASS PRESIDENT

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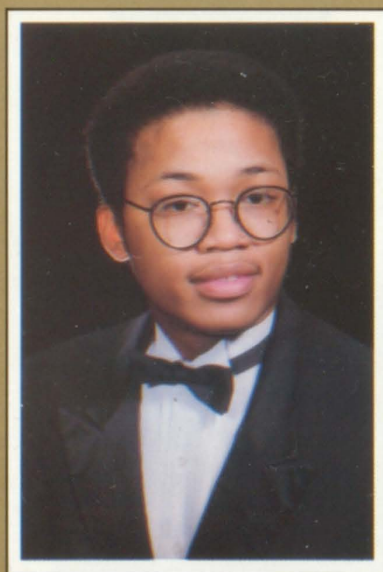
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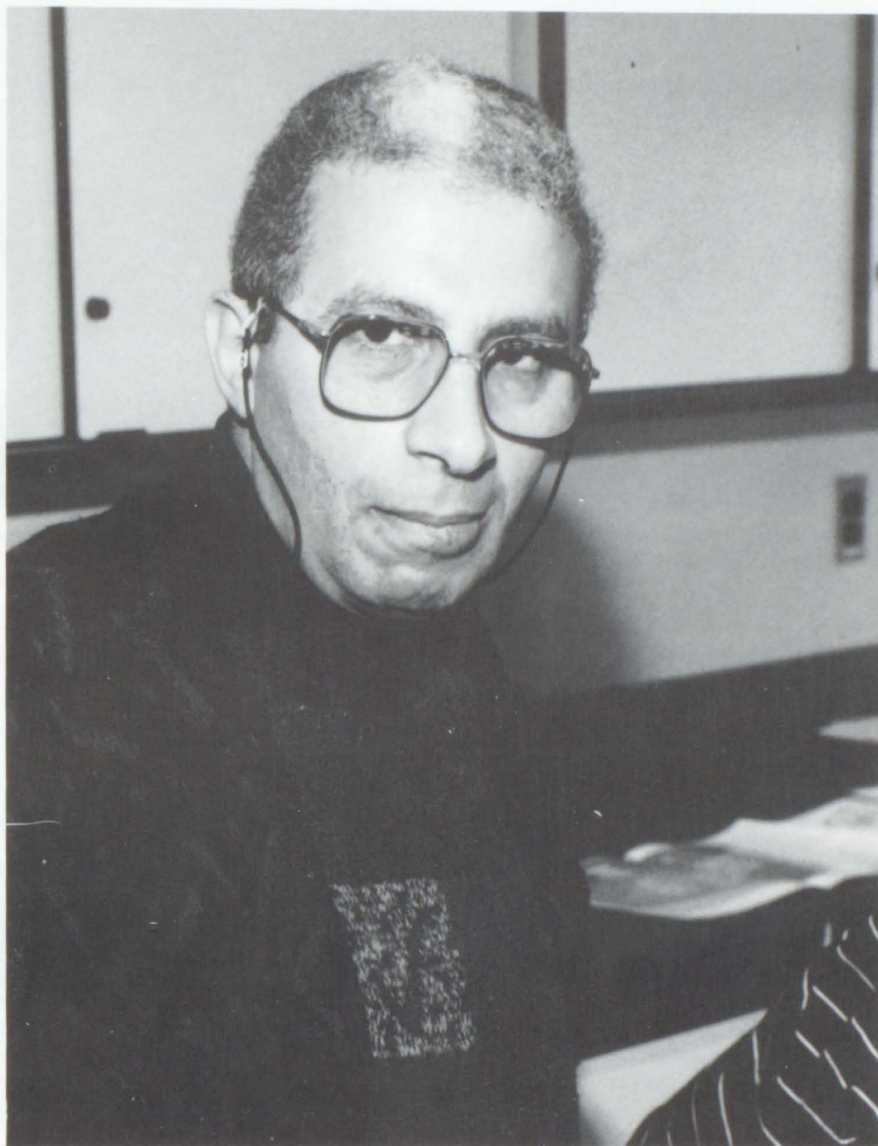
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SECRETARY



DEVON VIALVA
TREASURER



SAJADAH GORDON
SERGEANT AT ARMS



Dedication

The 1992 OPTIMIST is dedicated to Science teacher Mr. Refaat Salama. Mr. Salama teaches College Prep Chemistry and Physics and Integrated Science. Over the years he has been at Shabazz, Mr. Salama has touched many students with his dedicated teaching and sound advice. Mr. Salama's dedication to his profession and his love of his students demonstrate that he truly has . . . A Touch of Class.

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MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED
Sakinah McDonald, Rodney
Spencer(!!)



MOST POPULAR
Rodney Spencer, Felicia Richardson



BEST DRESSED
Yolanda Davis, Jennifer Quittley



MOST ATHLETIC
Rodney Spencer, Nicole Ryanes



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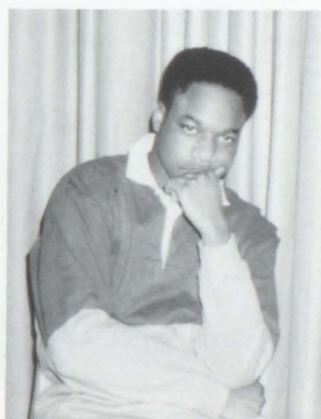
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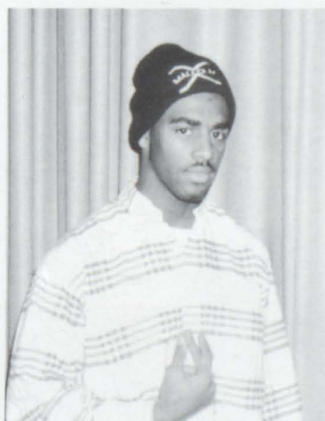
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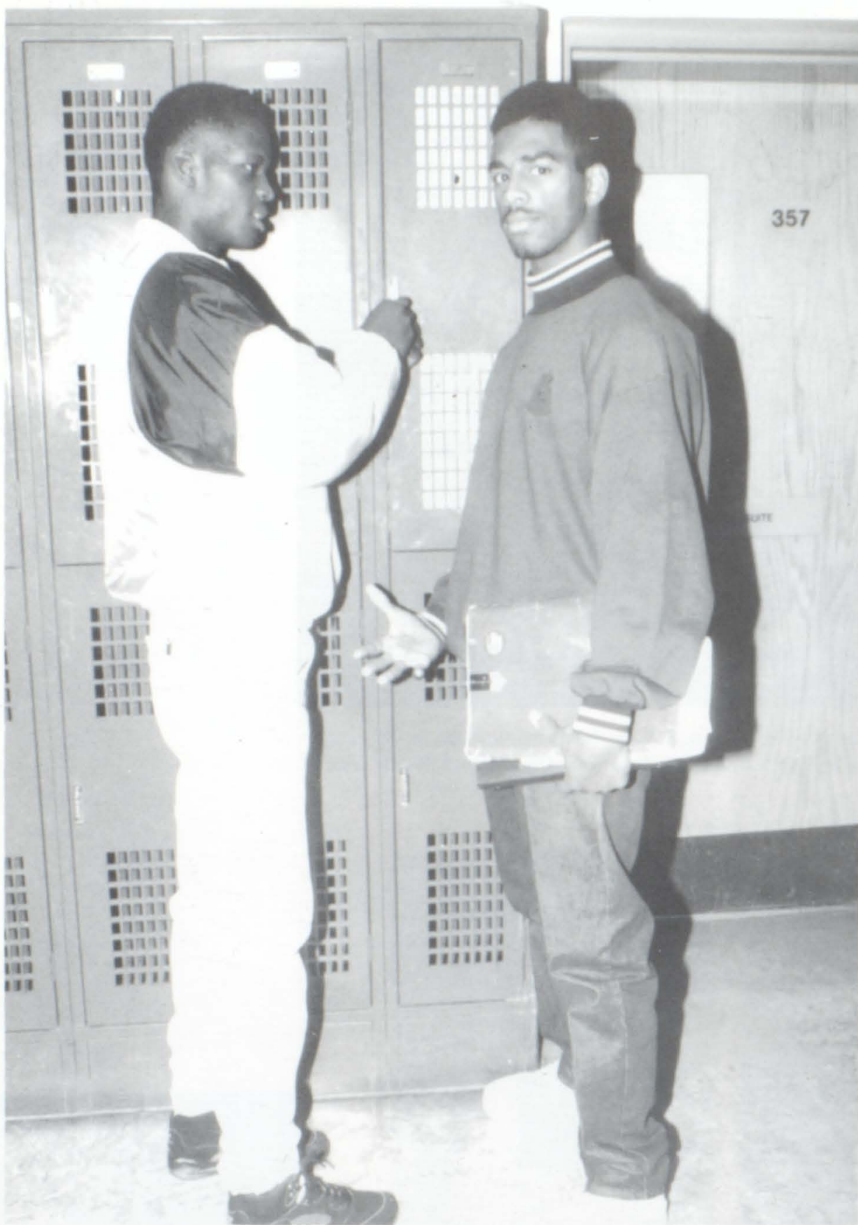
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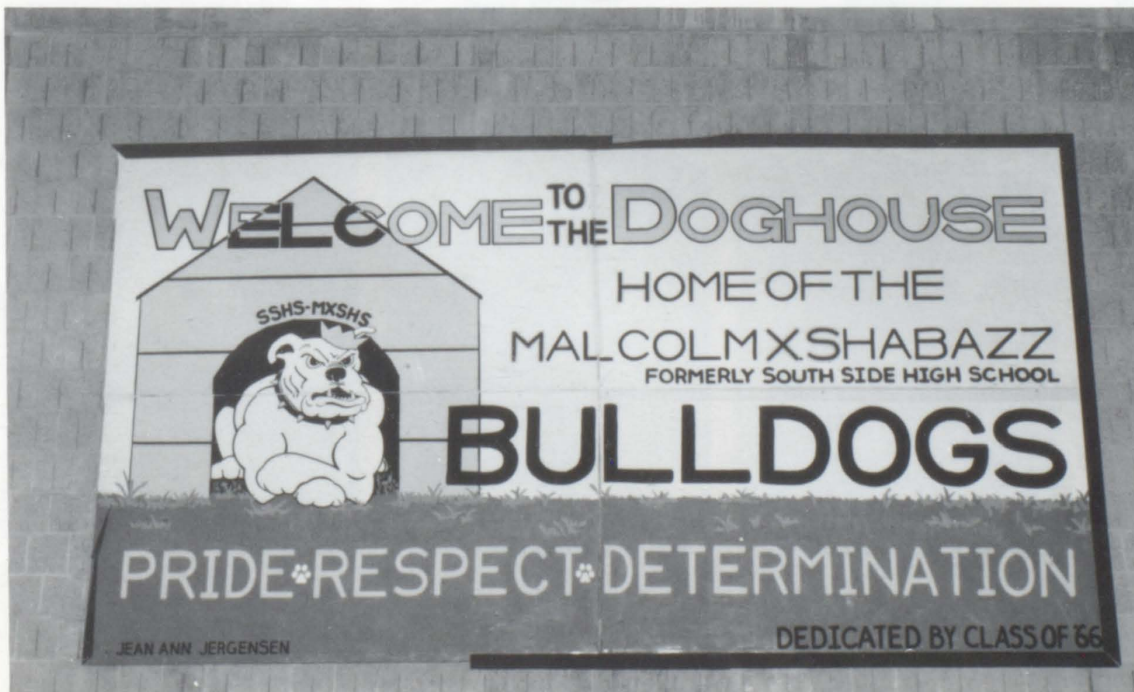


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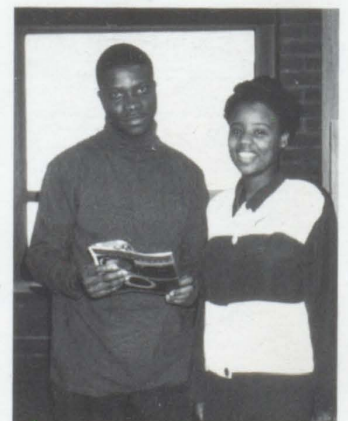
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Davon Vialva, Anita Meggett



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Antoine Iszard, Davonne Handford



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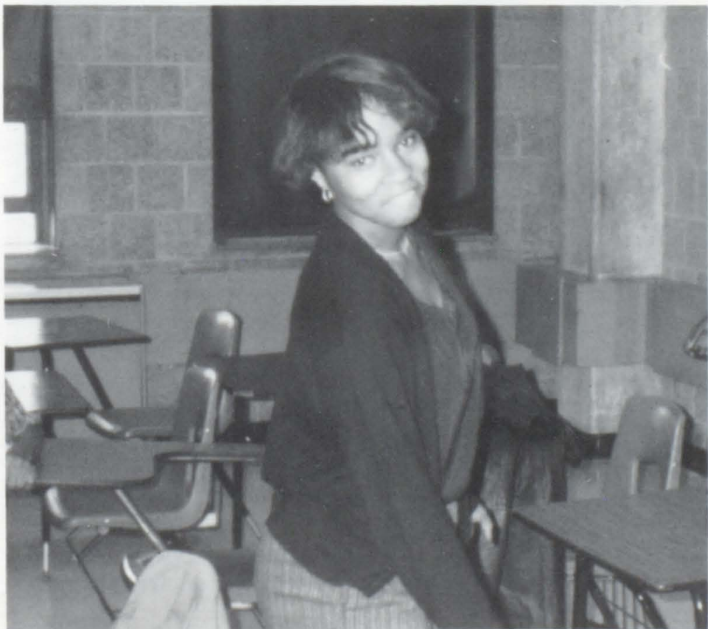
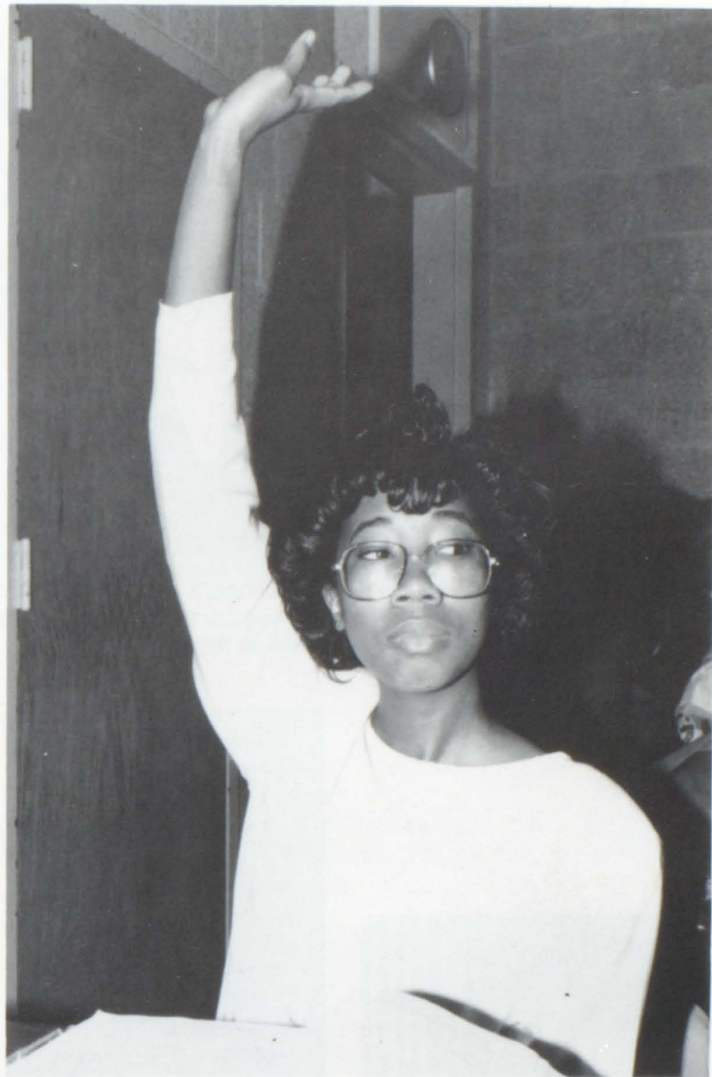
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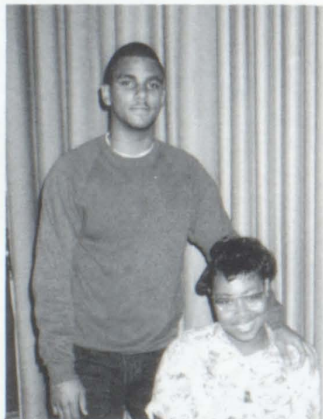
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Willie Taylor, Nicole Holden



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Vanturo Spearman, Kelly Babbs



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Sharifah Turman, Malik Bell



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Robert Hardy, Rhonda Thomas



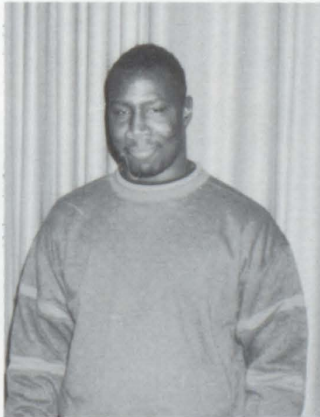
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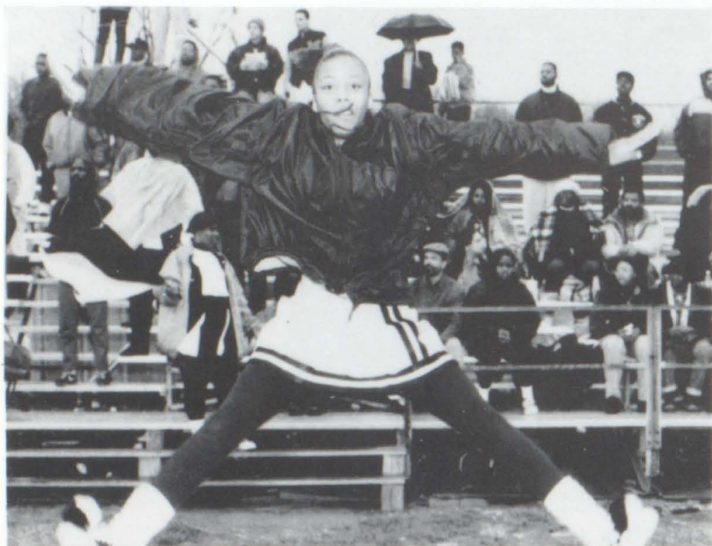
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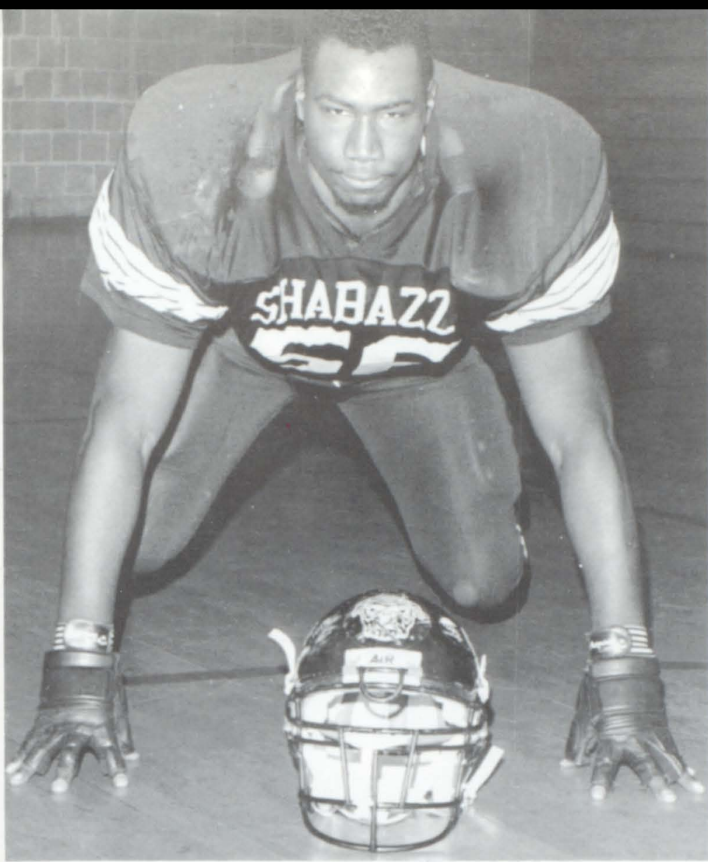


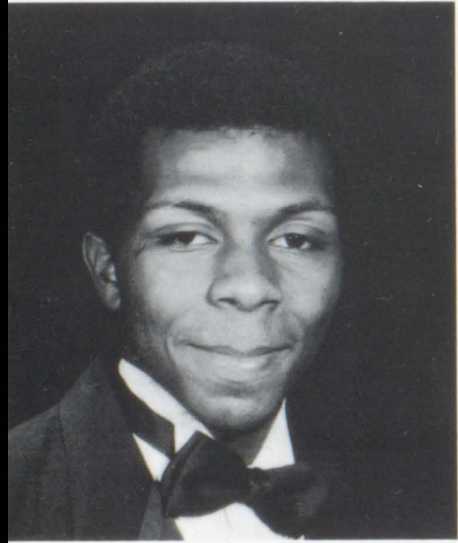
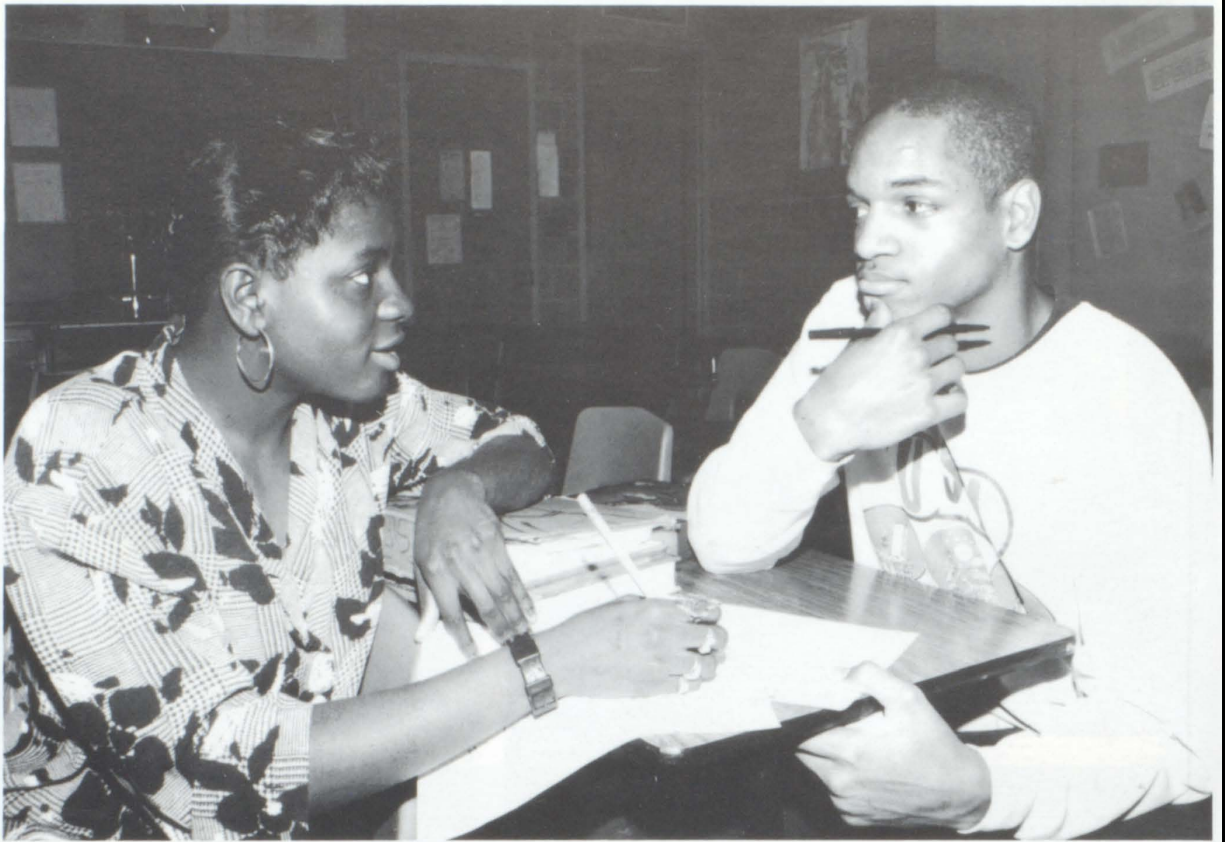
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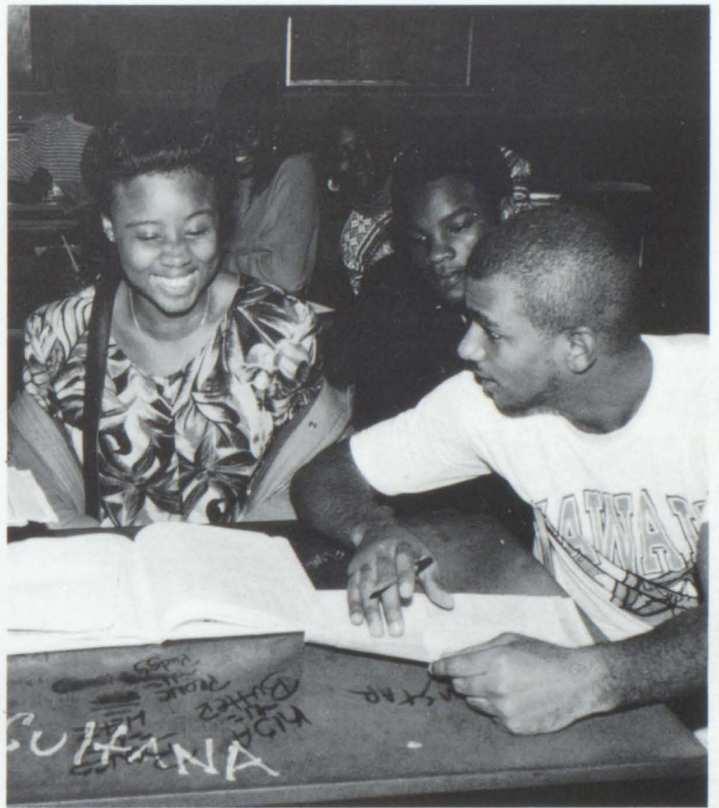
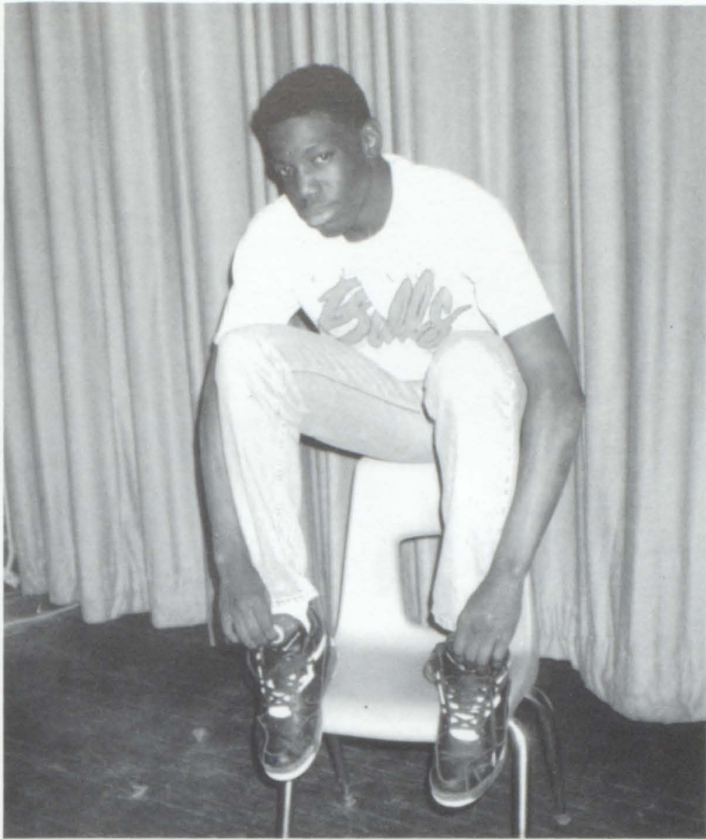


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Senior Class Advisors



Ms. Doris McNeil

Ms. Princess Towe

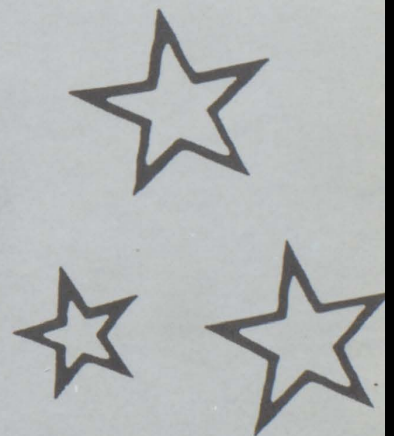
TO THE GRADUATING CLASS OF 1992:

We, your advisors, wish you the very best in all your endeavors. As you leave these sheltered halls of Malcolm X Shabazz High School, remember that life is a journey filled with many different twists and turns. But, you must *always* "meet the challenge." All Things are possible if you only believe. Believe in yourself, for we believe in you!!

It has been wonderful working with you, and we are going to miss you very much. You have been "a touch of class" for us.

With love and affection,

Doris McNeil
Princess Towe



a TOUCH OF CLASS

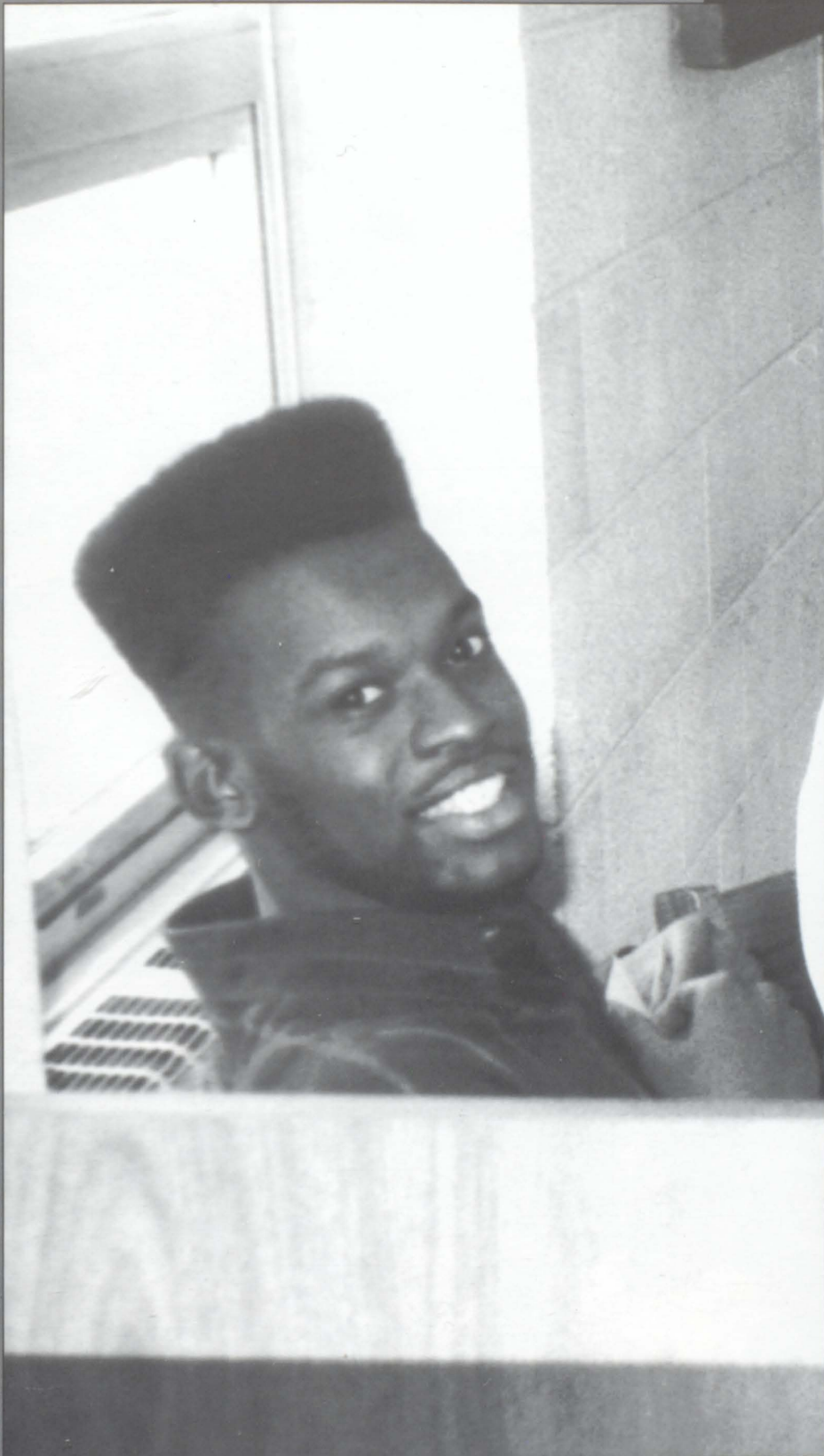
Darrell Lee seems to be enjoying his trip to Hunterdon Central HS for the Student Exchange program.



Ms. Bennett gives her pre-trip pep talk to another busload of Bulldogs, reminding them that they represent the whole Shabazz community.

Tracey Battles picks up another case of fund-raiser candy from Senior Class Advisor Ms. Towe.





ACTIVITIES

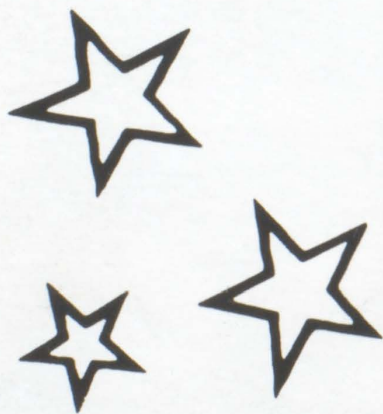


Shakira Holmes — thanks for your help!

Bonita Meggett sorts photos, with Junior Toby Battles in background.



Jamesetta Horace, Kachia Hayes, and Josette Avent spent long afternoons in Room 349.



O *ptimist ...*

Yearbook staffers discovered that there's more to making a book than showing up for the staff picture. There's a whole lot of long hours and hard work! With a small dedicated core of helpers, Mr. Davis made a few deadlines, missed a few deadlines, but eventually got the book together.

Your yearbook is your book of memories of your Senior year at Malcolm X Shabazz High School. It is the hope of the OPTIMIST staff that this year's book helps you to look back at your years at Shabazz with fondness.



Tracey Battles, Bonita and Anita Meggett making photo choices.

Mr. Davis poses with some of the people who worked on the 1992 OPTIMIST



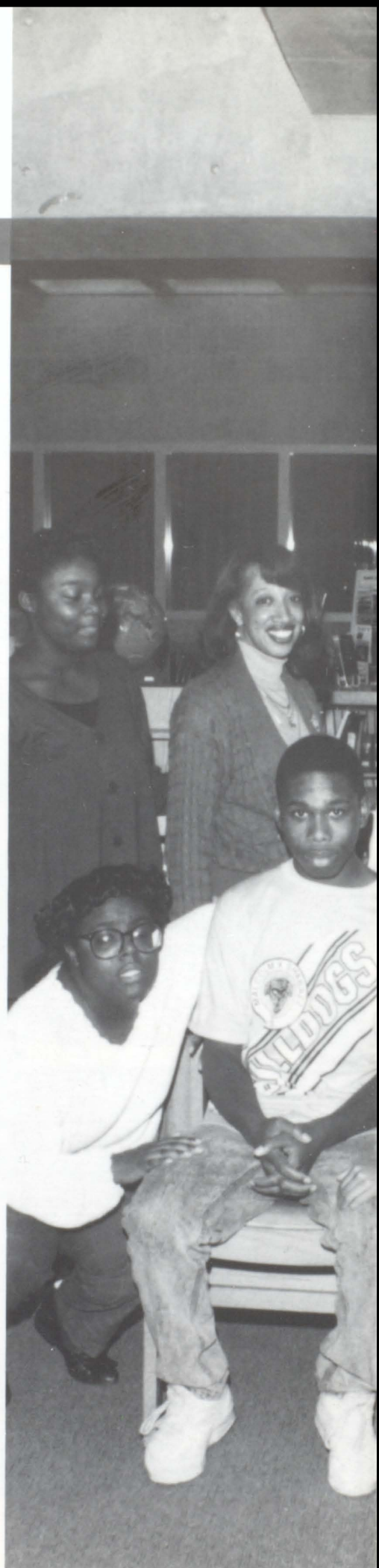
SGA & SPEECH



SGA officers: Left to Right: Tori Davidson, Beverly Ellison, Davonne Handford, Natasha Flowers, Toby Battles, Dr. Tobin, Advisor, Kareem Richardson. Sitting, L to R: Myeasha Baxter, Robert Hardy, Monique Sellers.



Junior SGA members.





Senior SGA members.



Sophomore SGA members.



Freshman SGA members.

Speech and Debate Team: Standing, L to R: Penny Meredith, Ms. Towe, Freda Devonshire, Anita Meggett; Seated, L to R: Christina Miller, George Johnson, Sakinah McDonald.

PEER CONNECTION



Peer Connection is a group of students carefully selected to be trained in peer counseling techniques. Each student was required to submit an application to be a member of the group, and applications were carefully screened. Advisors Ms. Spillman, Ms. Dowdy from the Guidance Department and Teacher Mr. Gaines chose members based on their reasons for wanting to join Peer Connection and recommendations from Shabazz faculty.

Participants meet every Wednesday during Period 6, and hear guest speakers as well as practice listening and group leadership techniques.



Rodney and Natosha listen attentively to the speaker.



Toby and Nicole share a moment.

Tracey Battles and Venus Williams in a pensive moment.





Head Guidance Counselor Mr. Watkins addresses the group.

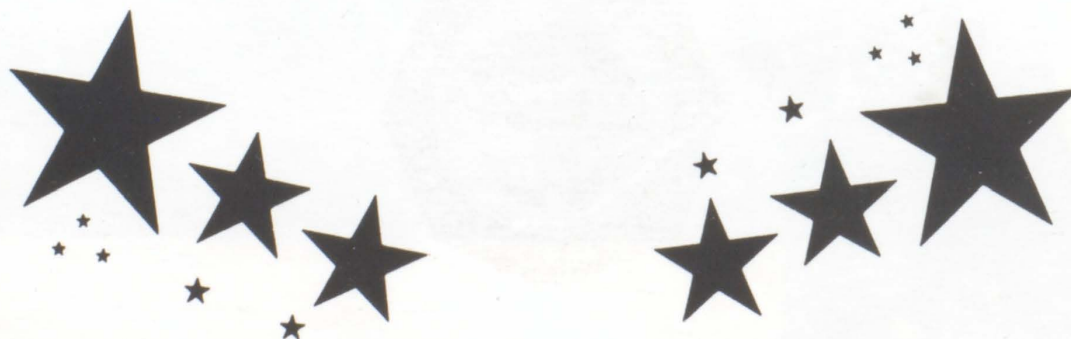


Malcolm X Shabazz Peer Connection

Latino Club



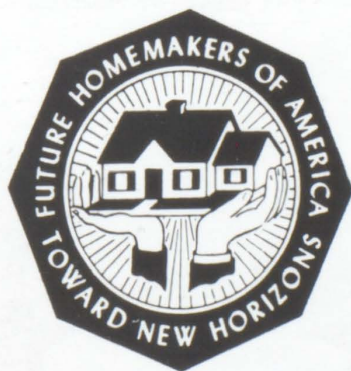
Aspira — reach higher — is the goal of the Latino Club. With Ms. Malave as adviser, the Latino Club works to encourage an appreciation of Latino heritage and culture with guest speakers, assemblies, and other projects. Members of the club are interested not only in understanding their own heritage, but in helping others to understand it as well.



Future Homemakers



The Future Homemakers learn the skills necessary to organize and run a household in today's complex society. The Future Homemakers are quick to remind us that today's homemaker is not the 'housewife' of the past, but a busy manager — so beware of the stereotype!



EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Learning about each other, finding out that we have more similarities than differences, is the goal of a new program here at Malcolm X Shabazz High School.

In a student exchange with Hunterdon Central Regional High School in Flemington, ten students from Mr. Davis's United States History I and World History classes and Mrs. Towe's English classes met with an equal number of students from Hunterdon Central. Mr. Bill Gaudelli and Mrs. Nancy Soderberg of Hunterdon Central were the other faculty members involved in the program.

The first visit was in November, when Shabazz travelled to the "boonies" of Flemington

for a day of workshops dealing with the topic of equity among people. Hunterdon Central travelled to Shabazz in January for a continuation of the discussion, with return trips to each school in March and May. The program was well received by both students and staff and was the subject of a front page article in the *Star-Ledger* in April.

Shabazz students who participated were Don-tae Johnson, Darrell Lee, Sakinah McDonald, Christina Miller, Anita Meggett, Bonita Meggett, Charise Valentine, Tanya Peace, Iva Boatwright, LaQuanda Lee, Lynell Brown, Heriberto Feliciano, and Ronniesha Tucker.

They were joined by Hunterdon Central students Robin Luster, Carla Antunes, Patrick Larkin, Kelly Thering, Lacey Cotter, Ben Rogers, Michelle Maisto, Ben Rasmussen, Amy Scott and Tara Messenger.



Anita Meggett and Sakinah McDonald working in a small group with Central students Tara Messenger and Lacey Cotter.

Student teacher Ms. Duester went to Hunterdon Central with Mr. Davis and Ms. Towe.





Participants from both schools gather for a group photograph.



Darrell Lee looks up from his small group discussion.



Christina Miller ponders a question during her small group work.

C CLUBS

Library Recorder Future Teachers

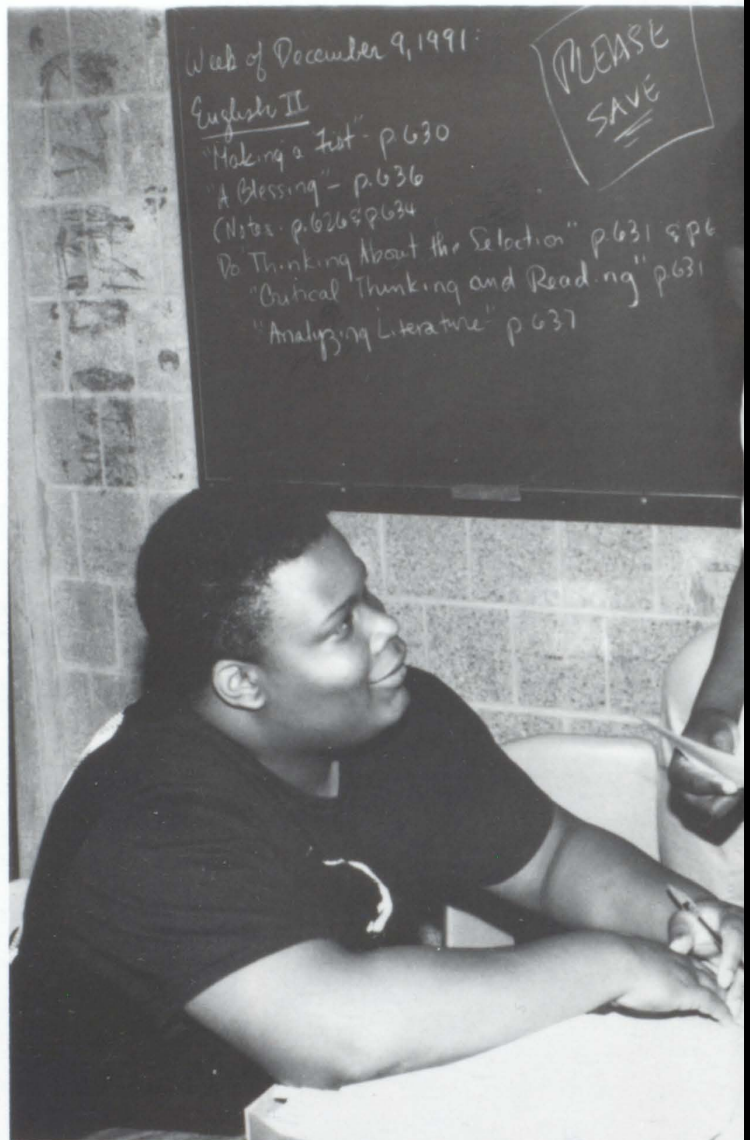
The Recorder, our school newspaper, reports on sports, academics, and activities in and around Shabazz. Under the direction of Advisor Ms. Pollak, the staff works to put out four or five issues each year.

The Library Aides assist our Media Center staff, Ms. Greene and Ms. Little. Ms. Linda Bennett also works with them.

The Future Teachers is a new group here at Shabazz. Under the direction of Ms. Adele Johnson, Ms. Delois Dawson, Ms. Margaret Robinson, Ms. Vincedonna Davis and Mr. Owen Newson, the Future Teachers observe teachers at work, attend workshops, and meet to discuss the role of the teacher. They are part of a city-wide project to encourage Newark's students to enter the teaching profession.



Ms. Pollak discusses a just-completed issue of the Recorder with staff members.





Tracey Battles and Rodney Hammond work on an upcoming Recorder.



The Library Aides pose with their advisors in the media center.



The Recorder Staff.



Future teachers and their mentors gather for a group photo.

TV NEWS, BSU, DRAMA

Shabazz Newscasting Team



Budding actors look over a script.



The always busy Bilalian Students Union gathers for a photo.



Drama Club members.

Drama Club advisors Mrs. Phinisee and Mrs. Baskerville.



Senior Drama Club members, Rodney Hammock, Shaveena Dunbar, and Venturo Spearman.

BAND





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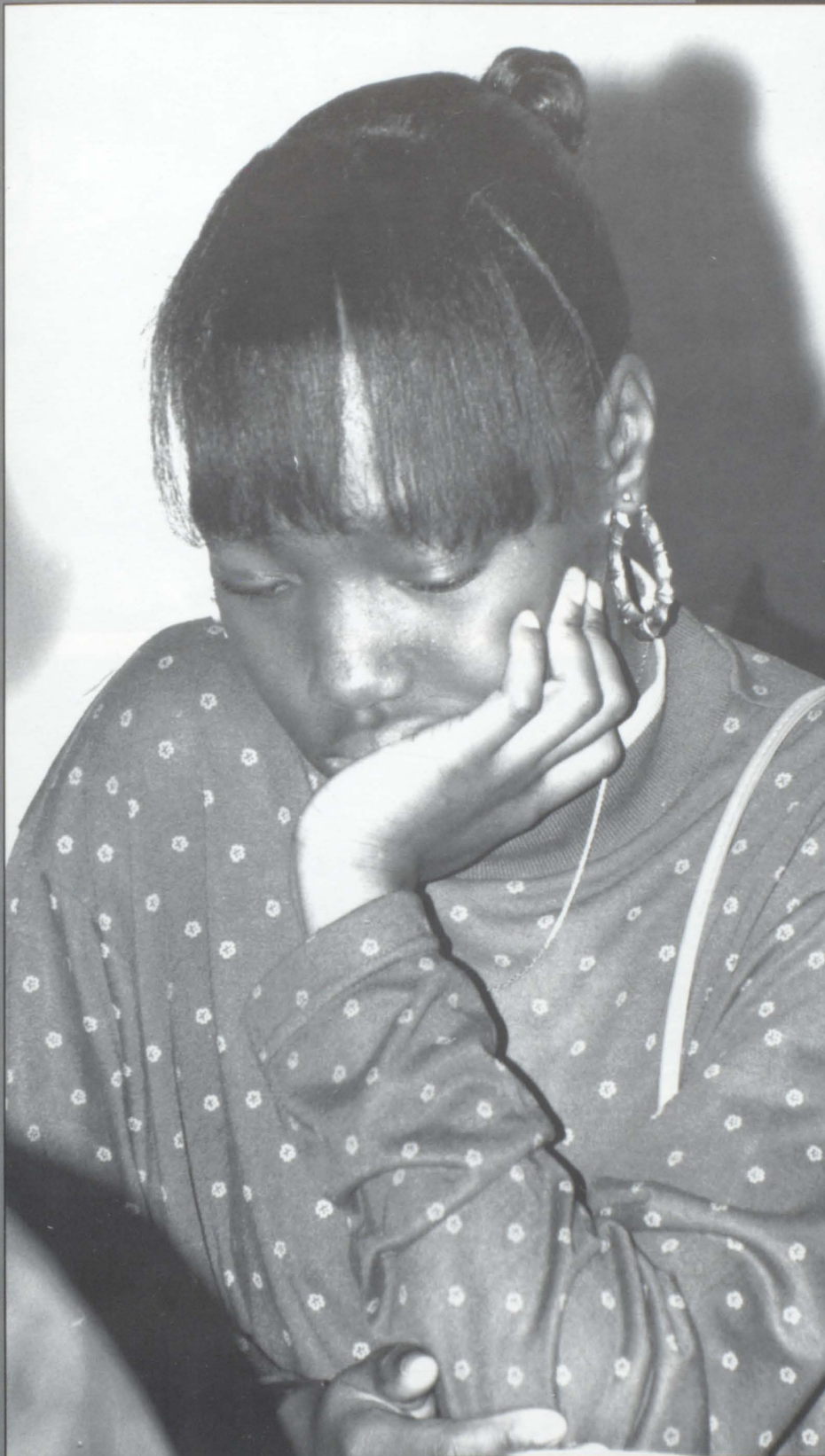
Senior Amonica Davis ponders a point in English IV.



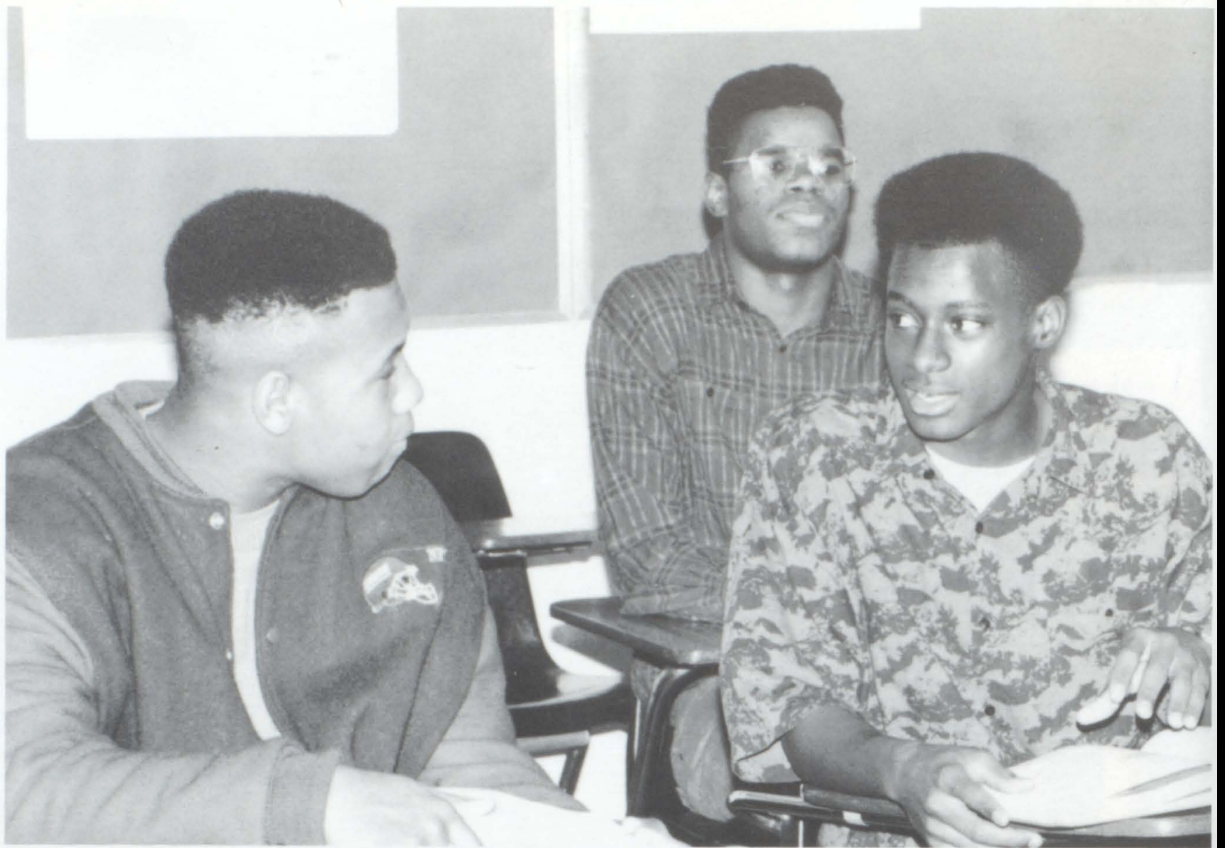
Jennifer Quittley listens attentively in United States History II.

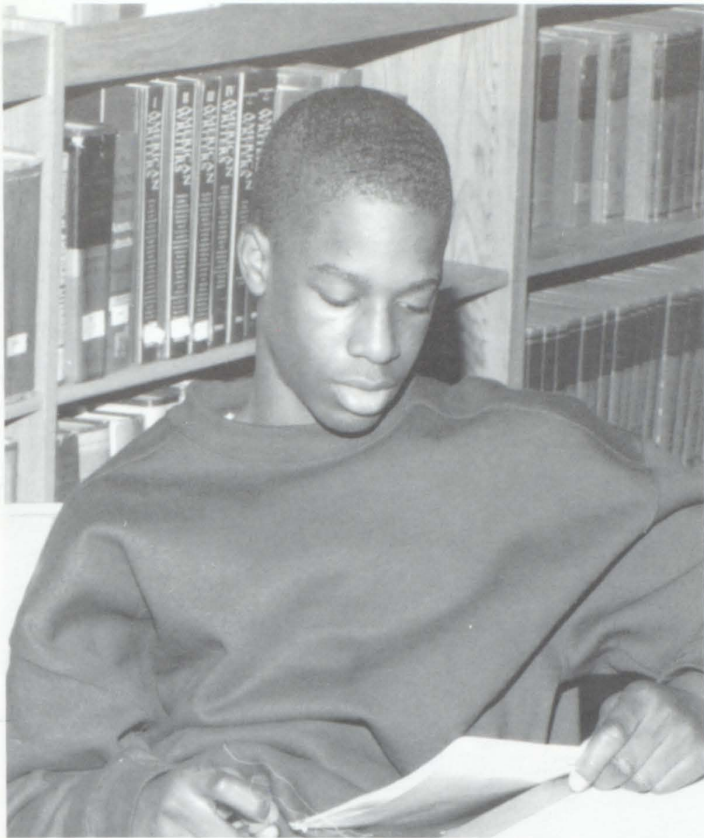
Sakinah MacDonald reacts warily to Mr. Salama's Chemistry experiment.





ACADEMICS





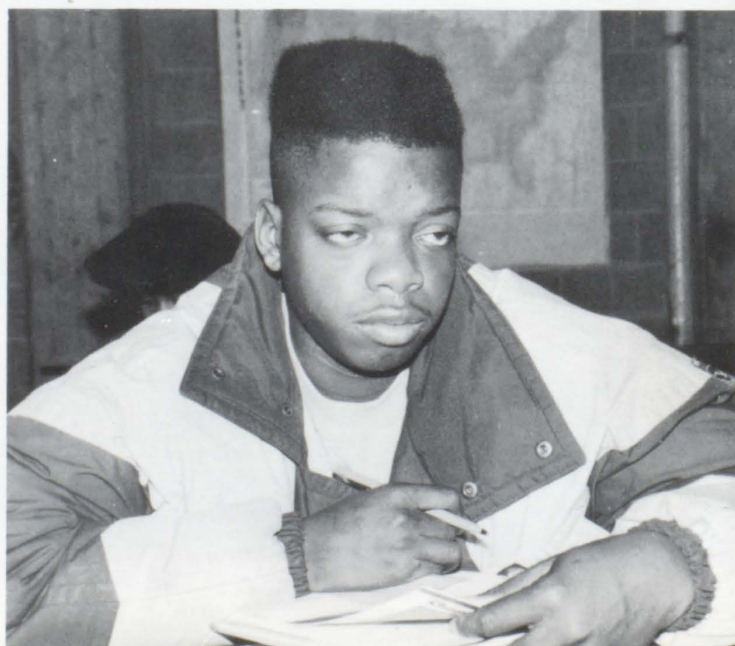


Ms. Bridges points out the location of Timbuktu to her World History class.

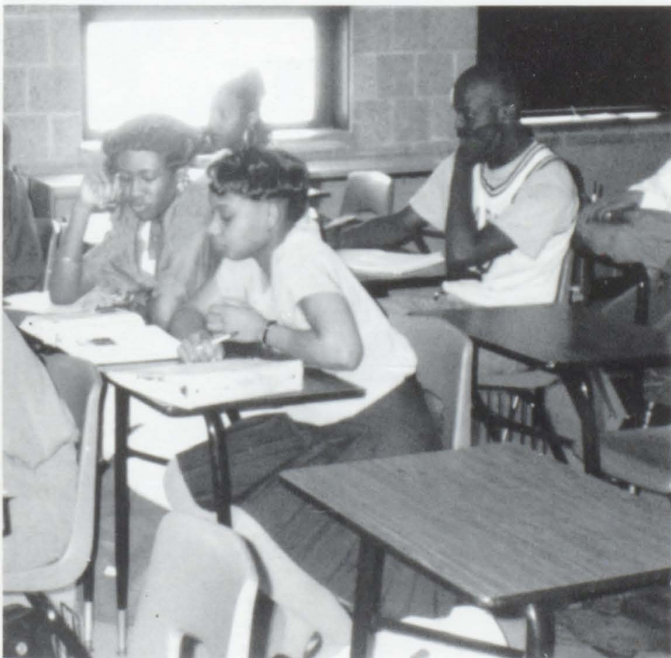
Sometimes it's hard to keep awake!

Senior English class keeps everyone busy.

Mr. Newson makes a point about mercantilism to his US History I students.



Ms. Towe's English IV class listens to her every word.



Academics

SOCIAL STUDIES and ENGLISH

Two subjects every student takes are English and Social Studies. The state requires us to pass four years of English and three years of Social Studies: World History and United States History I & II. In addition, there are courses in Law, African-American History, Speech and Drama, and Journalism to challenge us.

Social Studies helps us to know more about the past — our own and the world's — in order to be better able to make decisions about our future.

English gives us the communication skills and the literary background to understand the things we see and read, and to be better able to compete in the world of business.





Mr. Salama and Tracey Battles demonstrate a chemical reaction.

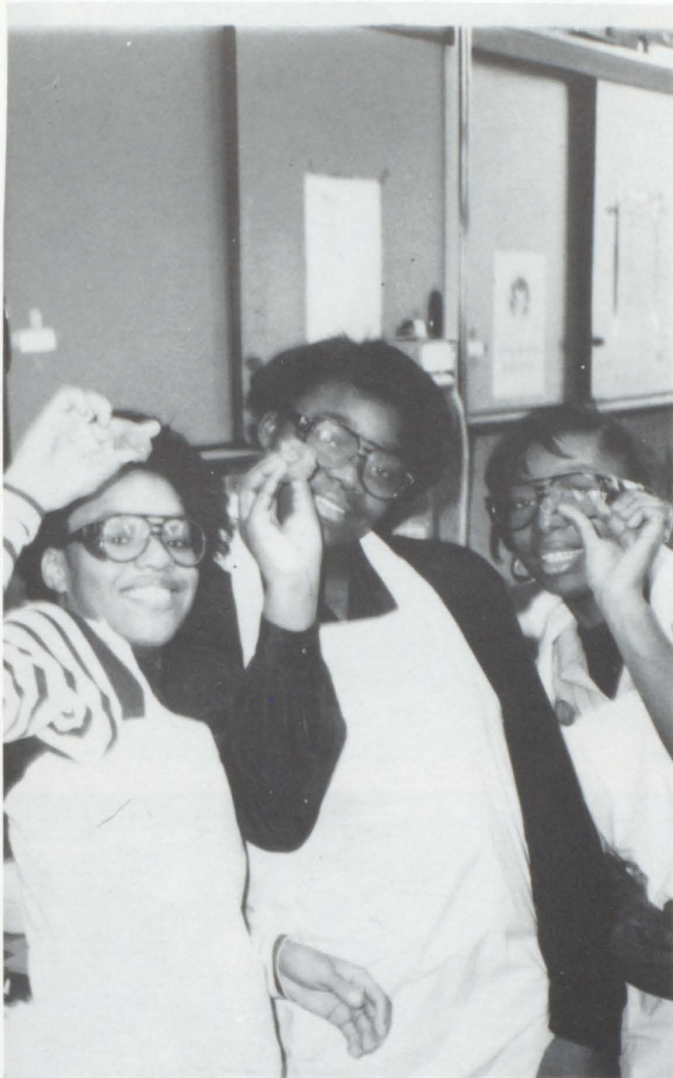
Antoine and Bonita work together on a Chemistry experiment.

Mr. Salama poses with his Seniors.

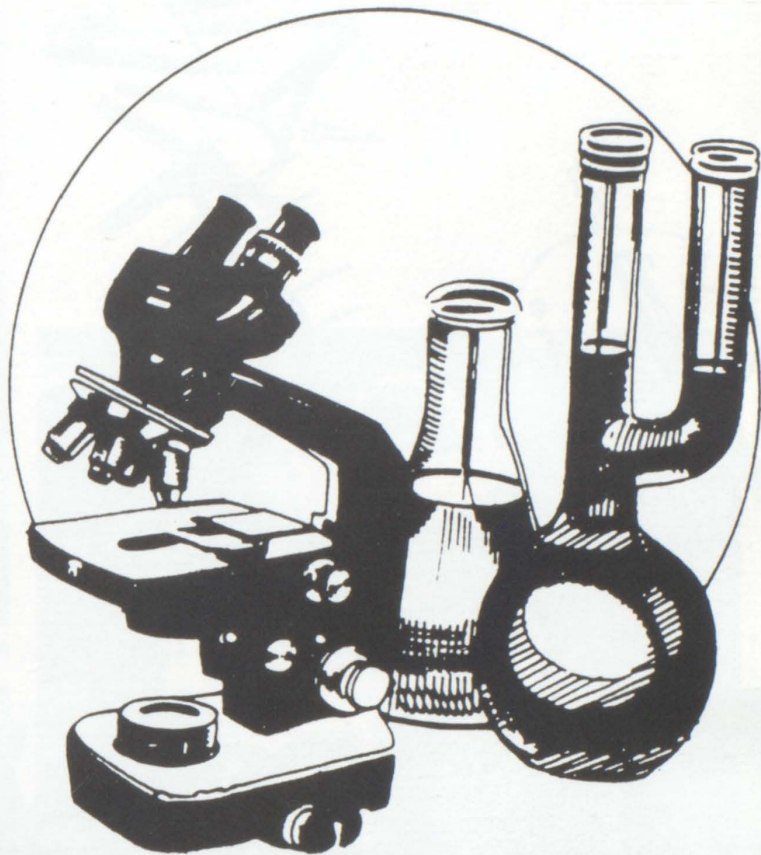
Sakinah McDonald seems a little unwilling as she reacts to a compound.



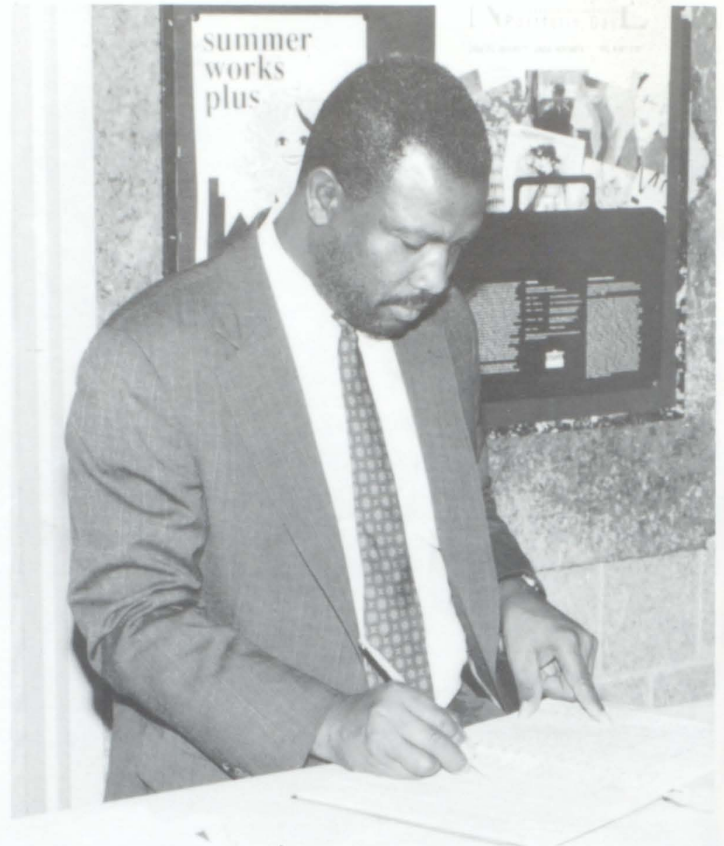
Sakinah, Penny and Kachia show off something interesting . . . we think!



Academics Science and Math

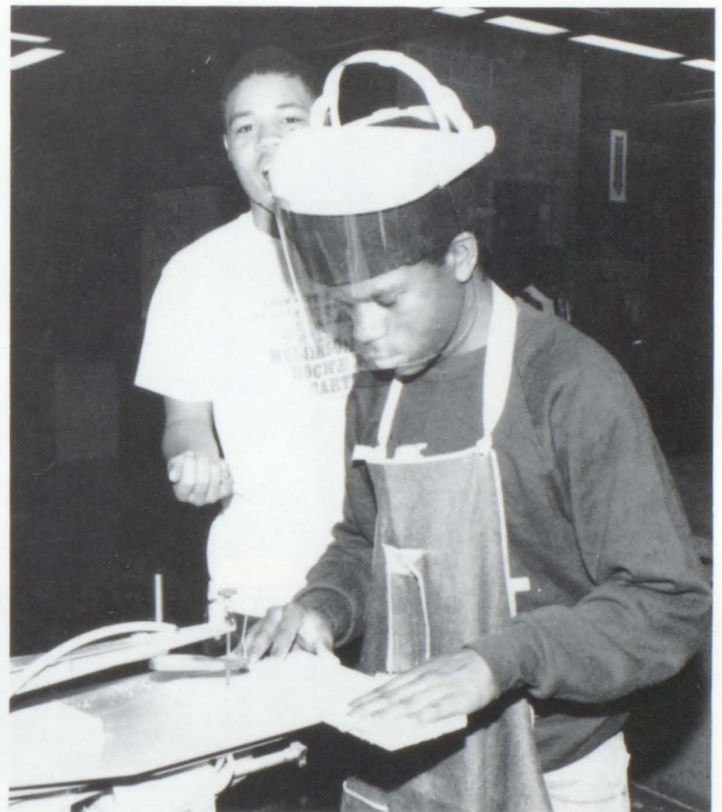


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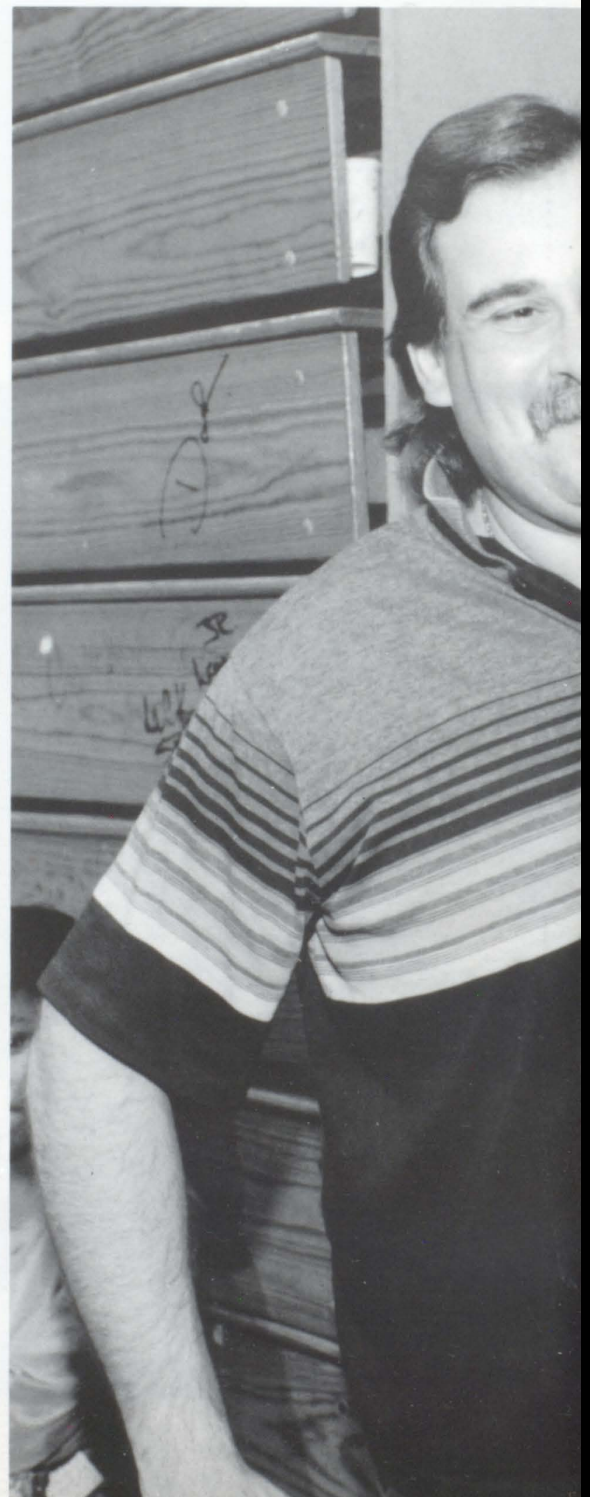
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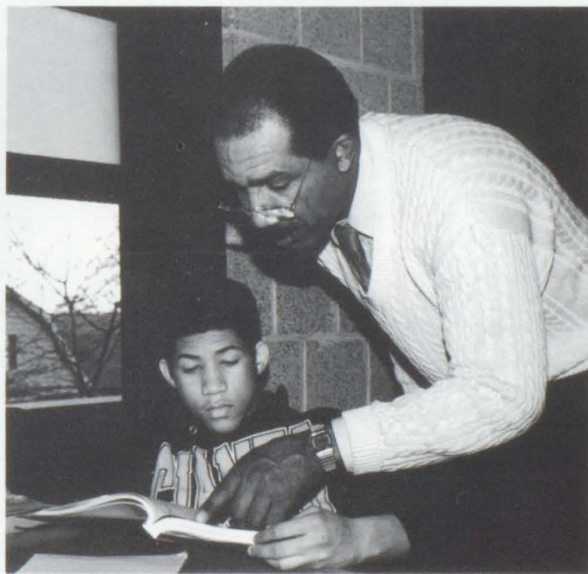


Penny shows a PE class how it's done.

Working out to get into those prom dresses.



Ms. Dowdy is always hard at work for the students at MXS.



Mr. Williams helps out a freshman in Health class.

Coach Dee always has a smile.



CHILD DEVELOPMENT



Learning to use colors.

The children love the camera!



Let's keep those shoes tied!



Arts 'n Crafts Time!

Zanzell Coleman working one on one

Running up the phone bill

Davonne Handford gets past an Elizabeth defender for two points.



Marcel Bishop pulls a jump shot in the Union game.

"Cheerin' in the rain" at the play-off game against West Morris Central.





SPORTS

A Touch of Football



Coach Dave McCombs and the Shabazz Bulldogs capped another successful season by travelling to West Morris Central for the Divisional Playoffs. In just a couple of years the Bulldogs have become a respected presence in the Watchung Conference, and made the playoffs for a second consecutive season. Until last year, it had been over twenty years since we had participated in post-season play. We have a team to be proud of!!

Although the whole team worked together, they were powered by six teammates who made the 1991 Newark All-City football team. They are: Rodney Spencer, Offensive End; Yusef Sellers, Offensive Guard; Vaughn Johnson, Offensive Back; James Clemons, Defensive End; Aaron Crowder and Robert Cook, Defensive Backs.

James Clemons was also honored by being named a Most Valuable Player, and Coach McCombs was named COACH OF THE YEAR for 1991.

GO, BULLDOGS!!!



The 1991 Malcolm X Shabazz High School Football Bulldogs

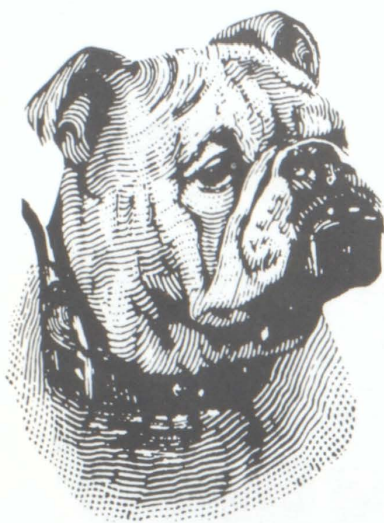


Senior James Clemons (Number 2) breaks from the pack for a gain.

Senior Rodney Spencer exploits an opening for ten yards and a first down.

"Put me back in, Coach!" Dynel Felton and Coach McCombs.

Vaughn Johnson holds tight to the ball to pick up some yardage.



Cheering on the Bulldogs offense as they move downfield.

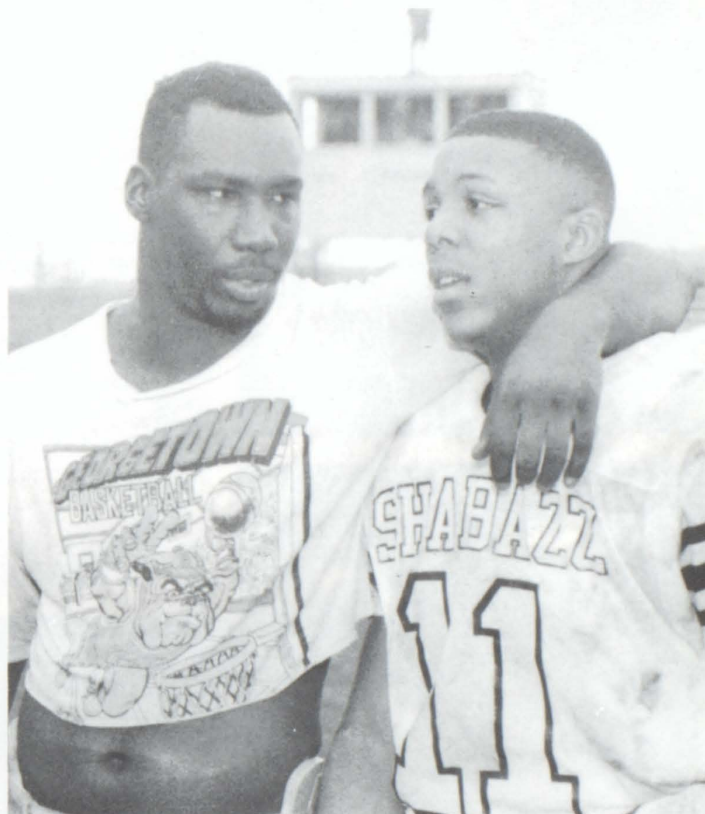
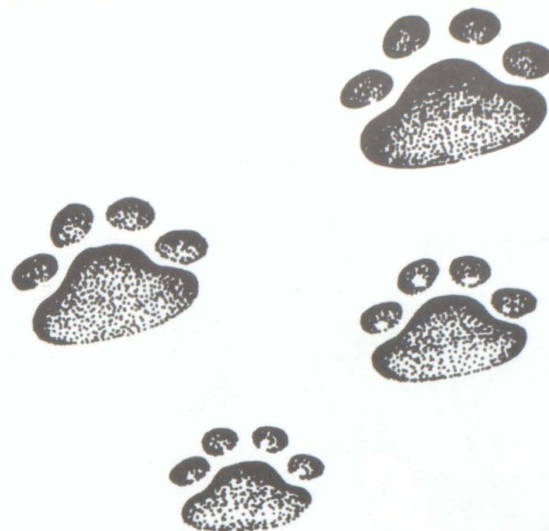
Vaughn Johnson (10) picks up some yardage with help from Dynell Felton (20).



Senior Aaron Crowder scans the field looking for a clear receiver.



Senior Bulldogs, 1991: Standing: Stanley Wilson, Robert Hardy, Yusef Sellers, Rajahn Hassan, Bryant Scott Kneeling: Rodney Spencer, Robert Cook, James Clemons. Now Shown: Aaron Crowder.



Aaron Crowder (11) and Yusef Sellers after their final game wearing the uniform of the Malcolm X Shabazz Bulldogs.

All-City end James Clemons breaks free for a gain against West Morris.

Presenting the 1991-1992 Malcolm X Shabazz
Bulldogs.

Going for a basket despite the odds.



Lavon Flood shows his value to the team.

Corey McCoy goes for the dunk!





Hoopsters!!!

The 1991-1992 Malcolm X Shabazz Boys Basketball team once again displayed their strength as they went to the state playoffs. Even though they were eliminated early, they were a source of pride to the Bulldog community. Led by Head Coach Lou Grimsley and Assistant Coach Don Dortch, the Bulldogs played tenacious ball all season. With only a few graduating seniors on the court this season, Coach Grimsley hopes for an even stronger season next year.

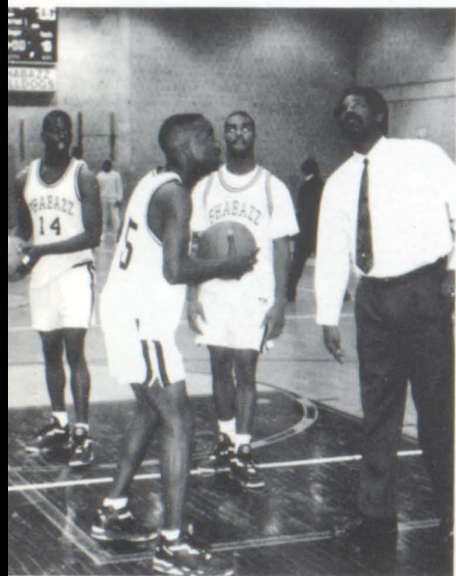


Another one on its way to the basket for the Bulldogs.

James Clemons heads in for the rebound as McCoy gets one off.



Marcel Bishop shoots for two.



Jermaine Bailey, James Clemmons, and Rodney Spencer go over a drill with Coach Grimsley.

Opponents watch as James Clemons sends it toward the basket for two.





Bulldog defense (who IS that little guy?).



The J.V. squad poses with Coach Dortch.

Varsity Captains, Rodney Spencer, James Clemons, and Corey McCoy.

A Touch of Wrestling

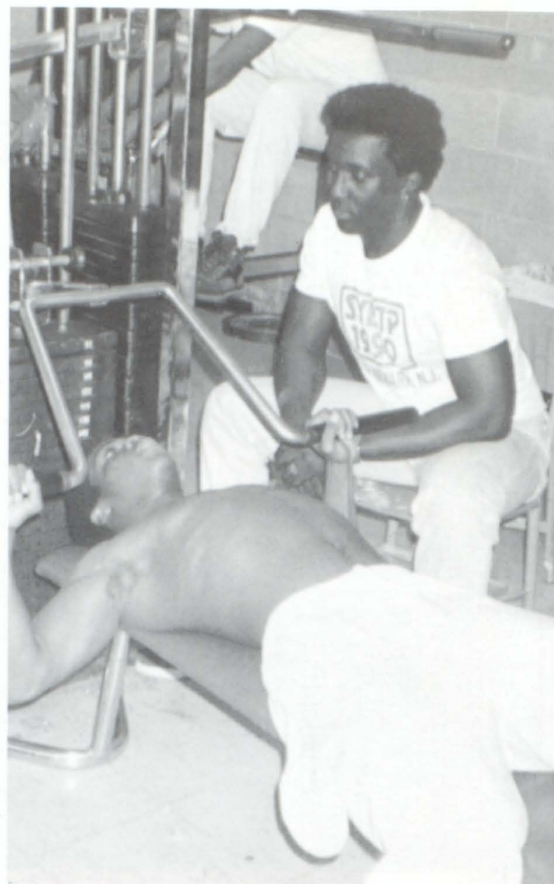


The Bulldogs have returned to the wrestling arena for the first time in several years, fielding a Junior Varsity team under the of Coach Mr. Bill Heady and Assistant Coach Mr. James Williams. Even though inexperienced, they went against experienced teams from area schools including Irvington and Central. They fought six matches this year, pulling off a win in their final outing against Central High.

Next year, Coach Heady will face the schools of the Watchung Conference with a more experienced, but still developing, team.

Senior team members this year include Robert Cook, Dion Johnson, and Robert Hardy.

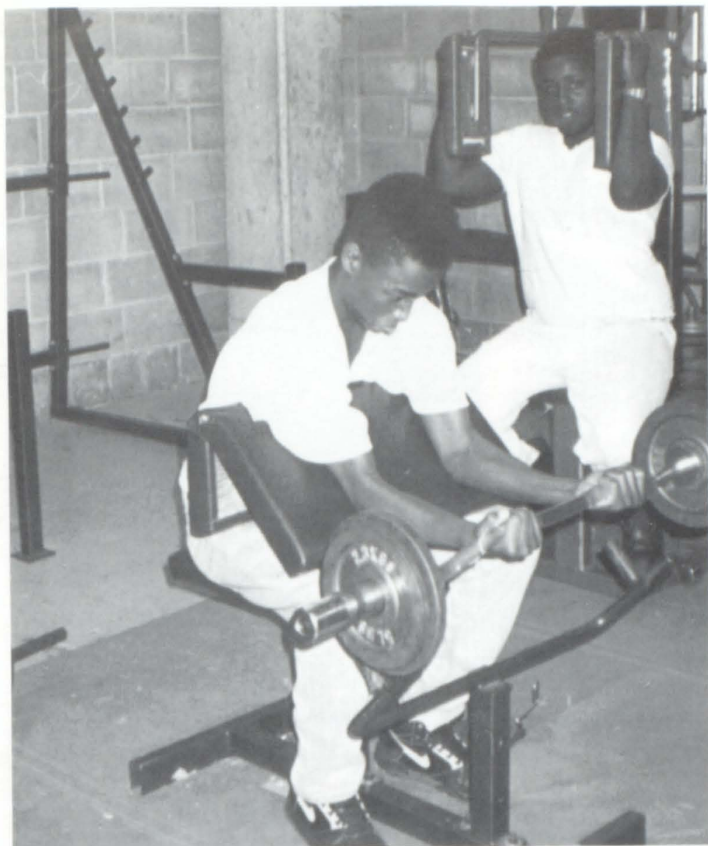
Senior Dion Johnson coaches Kimana Cale as he works out on the bench press.



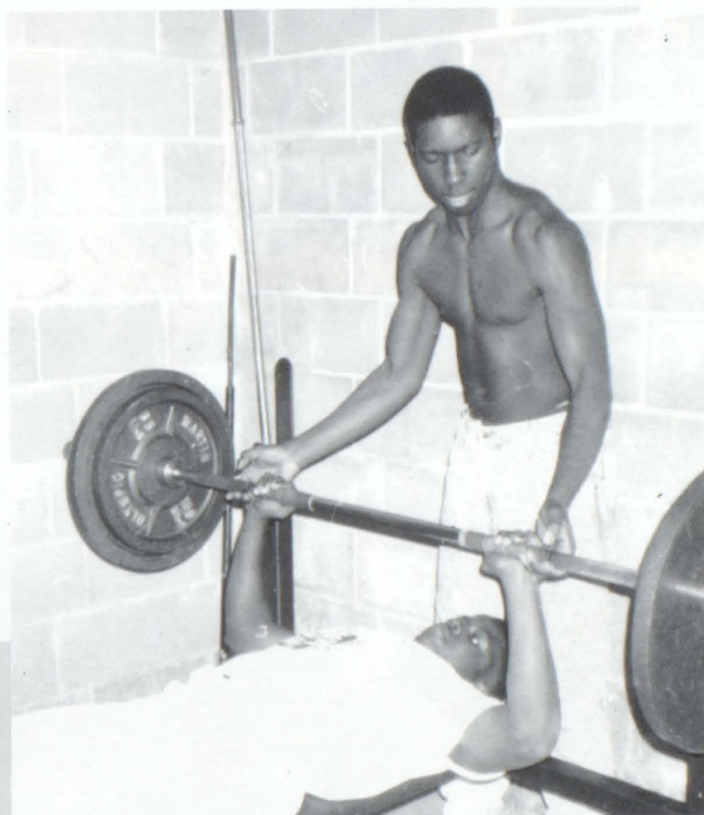
Team members pause during a workout.

A group of team members gathers around Assistant Coach Williams.



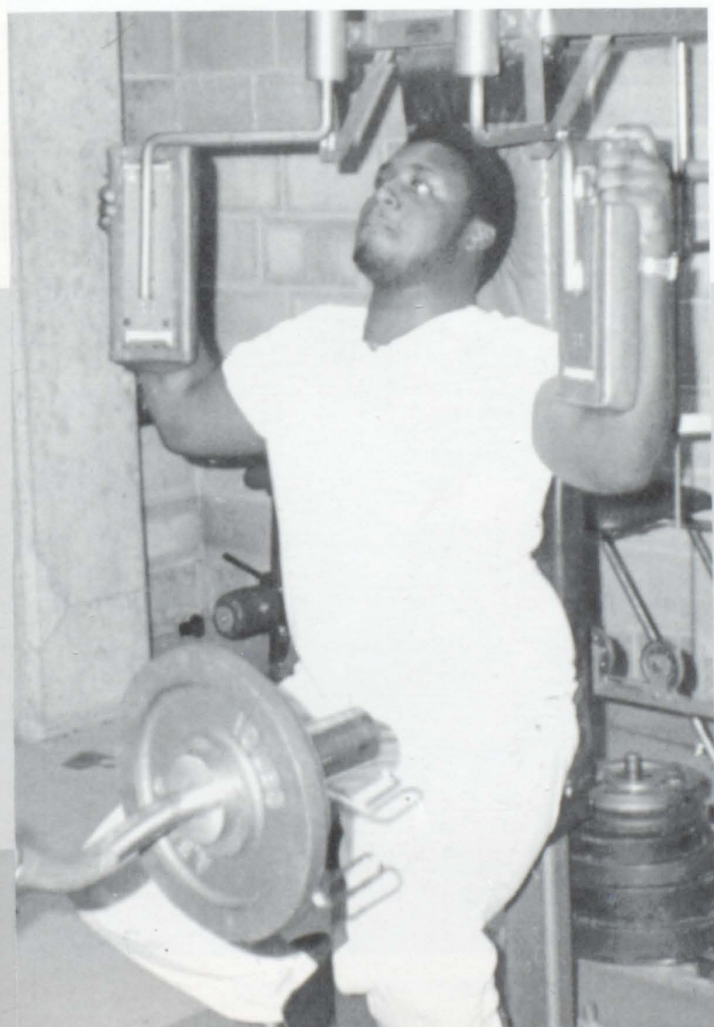


One wrestler does some curls while another strengthens his shoulder muscles.



The bench press is an important part of a pre-match workout.

Haven't we seen this guy before?



Beverly passes around a defender.

Rhonda leaps high to win the tap.



The 1991-1992 Malcolm X Shabazz High School Lady Bulldogs.

A Touch of Girls Basketball

Aweleka shoots over a defender for the score.



The Lady Bulldogs had a very impressive season with a 17-5 record entering the State tournament, under Coach Vanessa Watson and Assistant Coach Steve Trembley. The Lady Bulldogs finished third in the Newark Holiday Christmas Tournament and advanced to the semi-final round of the Essex County Tournament.

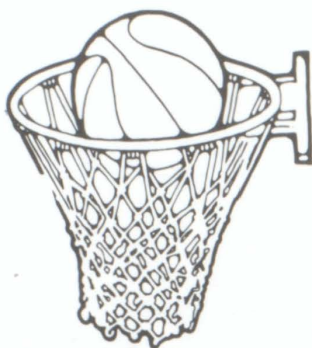
The Lady Bulldogs have an impressive two-year record of 37-12, and have really shone in the 91-92 season, with junior guard Aweleka Reddin averaging 20 points a game. The team also includes three strong seniors who have provided the team with a winning spirit. Davonne Handford averages 18 points and 15 rebounds a game. Rhonda Thomas pulls in 13 points and 10 rebounds. Senior point guard Beverly Ellison 'runs the show' and gets five assists a game.



Davonne jumps to snatch a rebound.



Seniors DaVonne Handford, Beverly Ellison, and Rhonda Thomas.



Iesha Terry gets off a shot over a frustrated defender.



Lady Bulldogs show their defense.

Rhonda shows her shooting form.



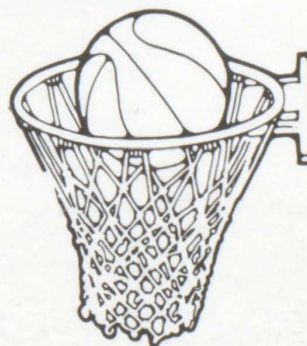


Beverly Ellison heads downcourt with her eye on the prize.

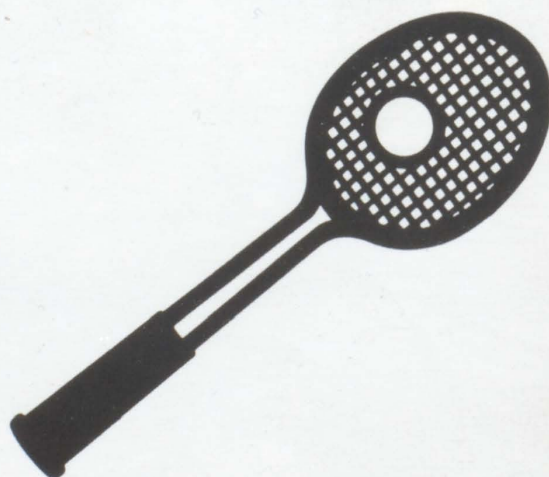
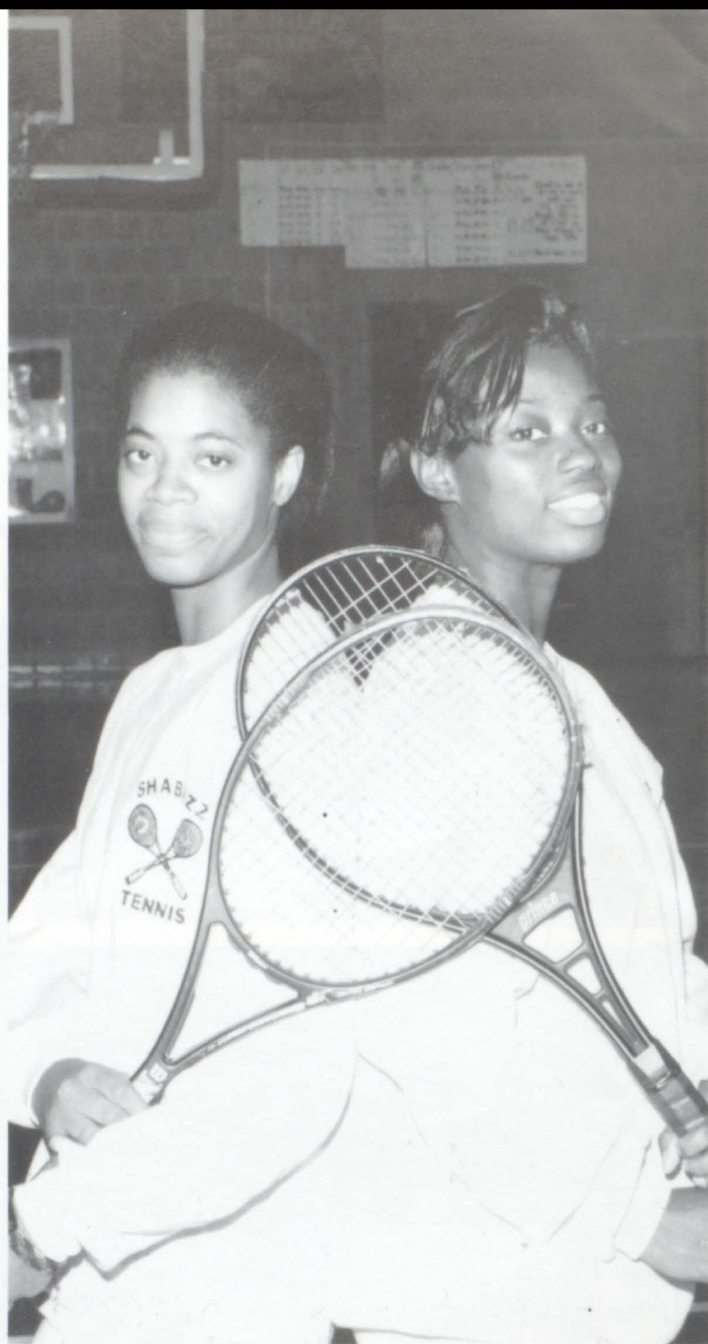
Lady Bulldogs know how to use their boxout ability.



Kenyetta West shows her stuff during practice.

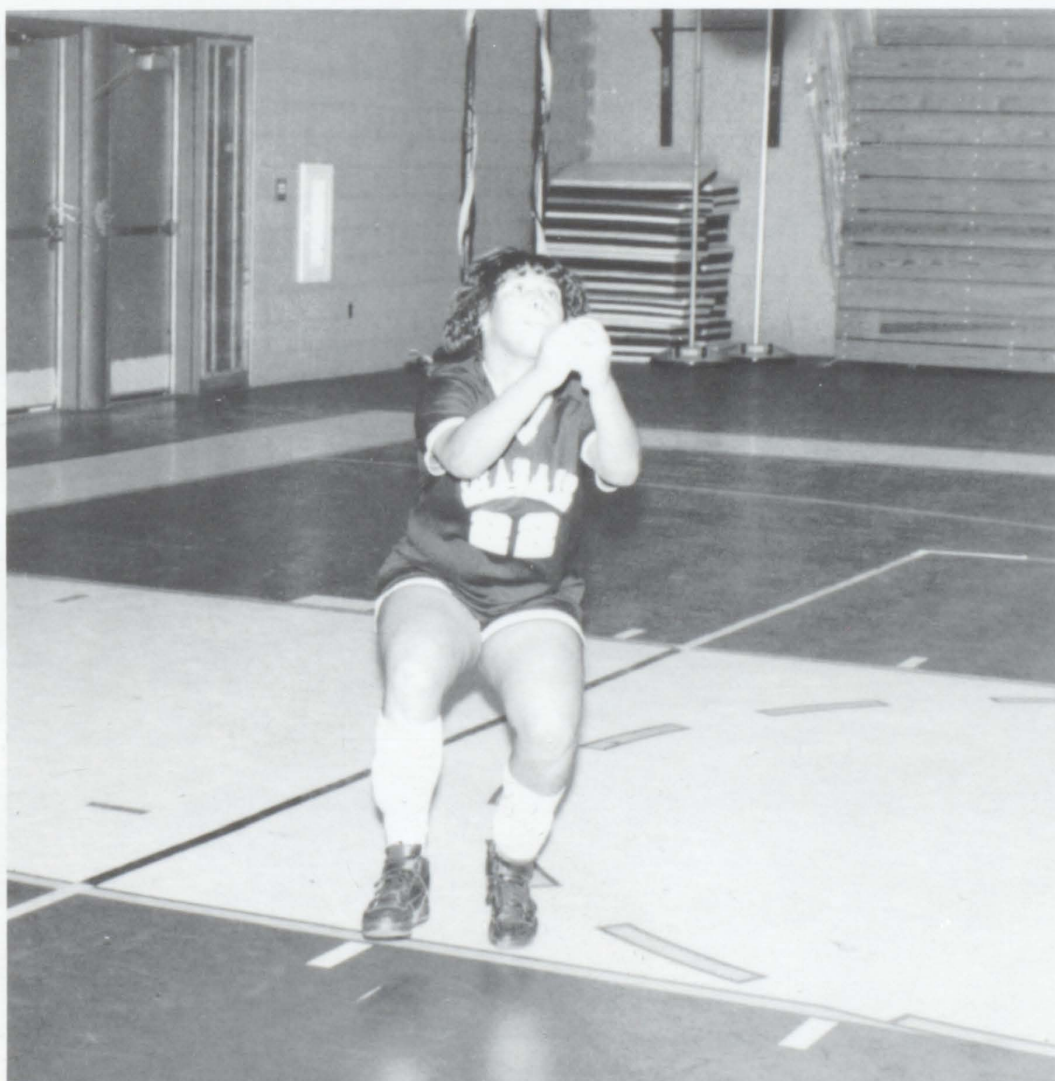


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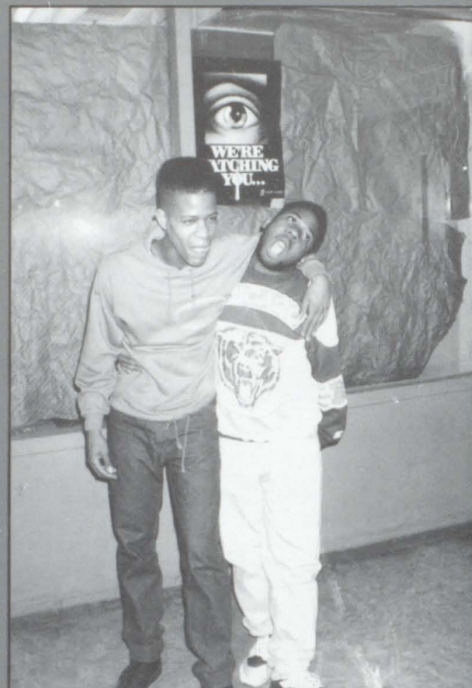




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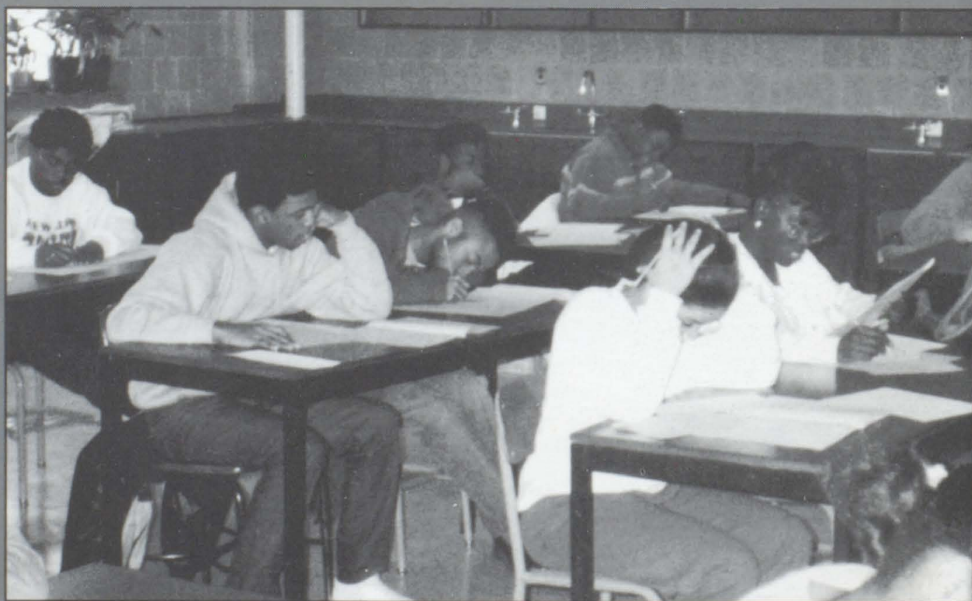


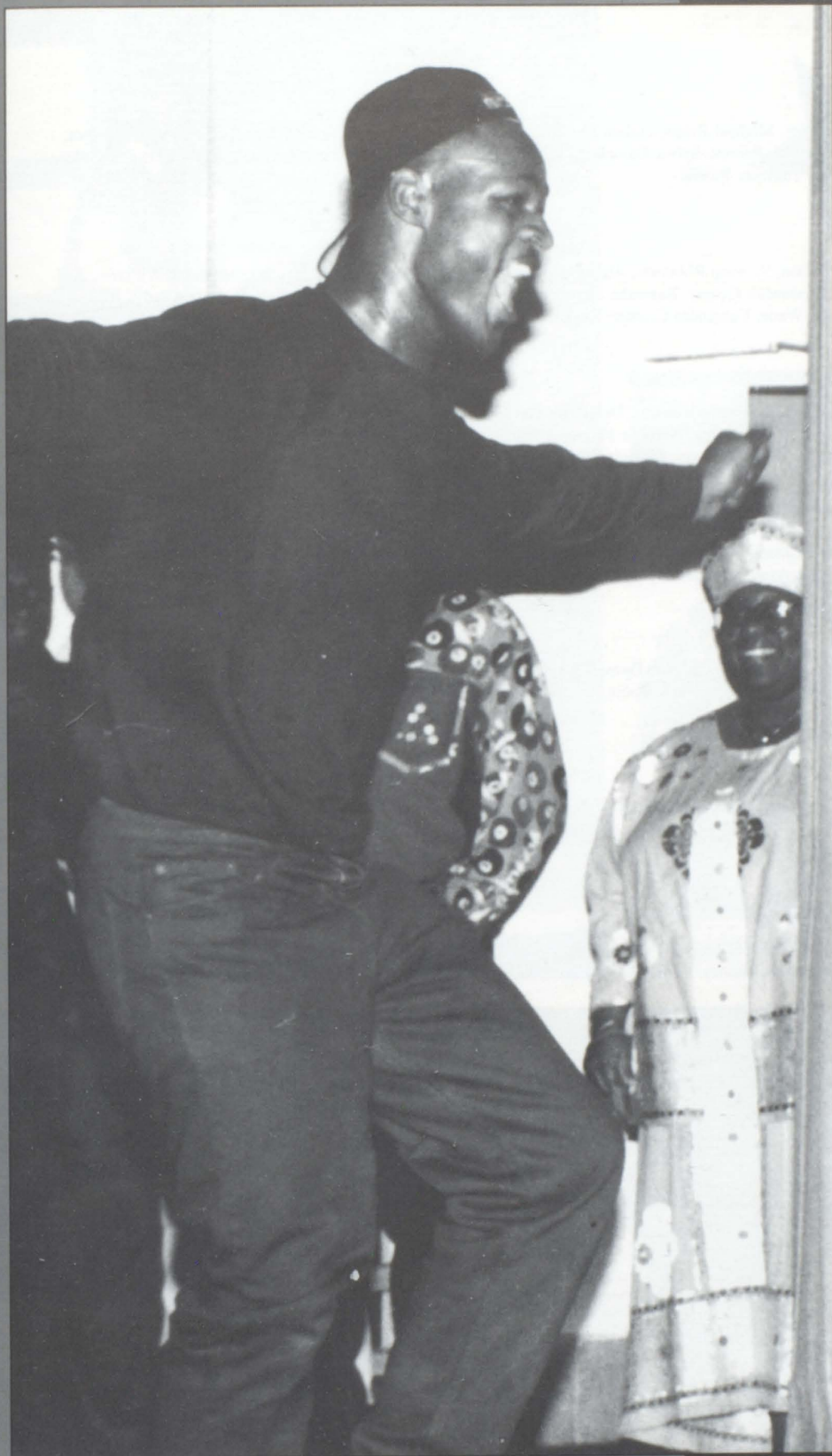
Terrell McLoud shows how it's done.



The "official portrait" of Junior Class officers Toby Battles and Kareem Richardson.

Freshmen struggle with the Math midterm in January.





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Juniors ...

410 — Ms. Feder

Louis Johnson, James Lewis, Norman Manson, Damon Rollins, Michael Rouse, Hakim Steward, Tony Williams, Shakir Younger, Jose Espada, Fuquan Brown, Deandre Starks, Derek Layton, Cory Mozee, Arthur Mayo, Pam Barrett, Sylvia Campbell, Angela Jones, Tina Macken, Lakira McLean, Pauline Owens, Nakia Simpkins, Renee White, Tammy Williams, Keishah Woods, Tamekia Randle.

349 — Mr. Newson

Tori Davison, Hakim Neblett, Robert Peak, Robert Richardson, Stephon Robinson, Ahmed Stewart, Santiago Vallee, Raheem Vauters, Antwaine Williams, Alif Muhammad, Setvie Bates, Gerald Baxter, Felicia Baker, Rasheedah Cooper, Ramesha Hancock, Isha Lee, Montaize Murphy, Melissa Puryear, Gladys Rios, Brenda Rodrigues, Gloria Sledge, Kiheema Terry, Veronica Wade, Cassandra Cromer, Keyana Perry.

326 — Ms. Thurman

Detant Alexander, Al Melik Allen, Willie Brown, Willie Foreman, Ernesto Fuentes, Demetrice Hardin, Michael Jackson, Edward Jones, James Porter, David Sessoms, Alisha Adams, Latisha Battle, Latovia Brown, Lakreyshe Dickey, Nerrissa Ferguson, Vanessa Hipson, Katherine Jennings, Vickie Murray, Renee Nutall, Stephanie Glover, Terry Owens, ShaShawn Williams, Tisha Williams, Bridgett Wortham.

308 — Ms. Knight

Toby Battles, Terrance Brown, Darrell Hayes-Ward, Antoine Jones, Floyd Kelly, Antjuan Lacy, Romell Moore, Ahamekia Allen, Denise Baker, Jennifer Benjamin, Naemah Blakely, Lucretia Booker, Nicole Brown, Averilyn Daniels, Kymeasi Smith, Lakida Surles

251 — Ms. Bridges

Keiaun Boone, Sean Crawford, Floyd Lovelace, Terrell McLeod, Tyrone Quarles, Darnell Reddin, Karim Richard, Jason Rodriguez, Kiyam Royster, Keith Terry, Allaudin Watts, Altere White, Tyesha Anderson, Qabisa Frazier, Jamillah Hall, Robin Lee, Nicole Levens, Kendra McClinton, Keisha Mickens, Aweleka Reddin, Shaunnikka Reid, Christine Retamar, Felicia White, Shaunni Williams.

249 — Ms. Borden

Keith Baldwin, Laron Carmon, Charles Dobson, DaShawn Gorham, Howard Hairston, Jeffery Johnson, LaShawn Peoples, Marlon Rutherford, Andrew Simmons, Alif Thompson, Muhammad Williams, Takiyah Beyah, Jacqueline Campbell, Corida Guy, Pamela Hall, Kareena Hatten, Yvelonda Hedgepeth, Yolanda Jackson, Yasmine Martin, Tia Royster, Atesha Tann, Lathasa Walker.

234 — Ms. Thompson

Nicky Capers, James Collins, Michael Colon, Alfurquan Hall, Kareem Jackson, Tarrell James, Abdullah Johnson, Pierre Jones, Tashan Stone, David Brooks, Demetra Bratcher, Abbeygail Ferguson, Carla Garrett, Cashandra Hunter, Leslie Hunterson, Felicia Jacobs, Kinya Kemp, Setrecia Leaks





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Sophomores ...

252 — Mr. Davis

Leon Blake, Lawrence Dock, Rasshard Dwight, Vaughn Johnson, Lonnie Simmons, Sean Vines, John Watson, Belinda Boatwright, Tlaita Myles, Veronica Mouzon, Laquanda Sellers

417 — Mr. J. Brown

Clifton Andrews, Antwan Jones, Yasin Jones, Cory McFarland, Juan Mendez, Ramon Morris, Laron Richardson, Isaac Rodriquez, Jose Vargas, Hilton Sales, Josnetta Jackson, Cynthia Knight, Cheyta McCray, Regina McCray, Kisne McHenry, Tammy McLean, Fernice Meadows, Regina Meredith, Sharonda Richardson, Samera Rodwell, Shonda Rogers, Alys Rollins, Sheronda Ryanes, Tanessa Scott, Erica Seamon, Cassandra Simpkins, Charise Valentine.

310 — Mr. Eldridge

Lamont Baster, Jamal Benjamin, Al-Shahim Bethea, Kenneth Coleman, Paul Cummings, Kelly Hammond, Jamiyl Herndon, Dwight Howard, Joseph Hudson, Rashaun Hunter, Reginald Jackson, Charon Jenkins, Kevin McCleave, Adrian Mincey, Frank Parker, Tilib Pleasant, Lamont Terrell, Terod White, Walid White, Tremaine Williams, Temesha Allen, Nadia Augustin, Angela Cabrera, Terene Colson, Venice Gordon, Phthya Jackson, Florida Jenkins, Javiena McDonald, Sabrina McKoy, Mary Ann Morales, Charleta Mozee, Halimah Muhammad, Amina Onion, Alicia Ramos, Ameerah Smith, Ayasha Thompson

123 — Mr. DeLorenzo

Bashira Cook, Karima Cooper, Monique Davis, Mary Dinkins, Tina Edwards, Keisha Gilmore, Miosotiz Gonzalez, Tameka Hargrave, Hafeerah Harris, Haniyyah Hopkins, Angela Lee, Regina Lee, Rabiyyah Lucas, Katrina Murry, Alterick Buchanan, Romel Cureton, Damon Davis, Alfred Dickerson, Saleem Dicks, Lavon Flood, Angelo Frazier, Alnijen Gilmore, Rachae Glover, Jahad Gorsuch, Wali Grant, Michael Green, Mark Lawson, Al Hakim McLauren, Eric Motley, Koran Moye, Ronald Smalley

120 — Mr. Capece

Karim Ahmad, Kendell Batts, Ramid Brown, Eric Chambers, Kaream Clark, Jason Cobb, Demond Conley, Frank Conley, Elliott Garland, Vincent Gilliam, Donatas Harris, Na-il Johnson, Kevin Lewis, Isaac Outen, Dennis Shauvo, Hakim Williams, John Brown, Julia Alston, Takia Amos, Jacqueline Barnett, Tisha Bateman, Tishonda Blair, Tamika Brown, Nicole Buggs, Traci Cobb, Tamika Cohen, Sylvia Glah, Tamara Green, Demecia Jackson, Al-Quana Johnson, Diaterisa Jones, Sylvania Lettsome, Shidenies Morton, Teniesha Peterson, Abrielle Sowell, Shauqrah White, Nicole Wilson, Melanie Fuller.

419 — Mr. Layton

Hakim Anderson, Rasheem Small, Hakeem Smith, Quarn Super, Vincent Thomas, Gabriel Torres, William Teal, Emmanuel Geah, Ieshia Bronsk, Lori Ferguson, Evon Henry, Quinette Nobles, Tonya Seward, Jenise Shiggs, Dawnelle Shippman, Raesheea Smith, Saleemna Staten, Al-Tur Stokes, Aisha Terry, Latashia Thomas, Chylanda Edwards, Jacqueline Foote, Kyana Edwards, Isaura Camacho, Kelly Rivera

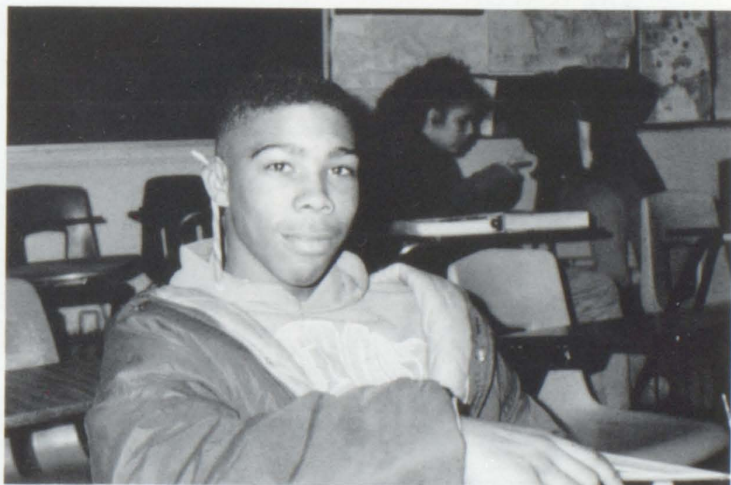
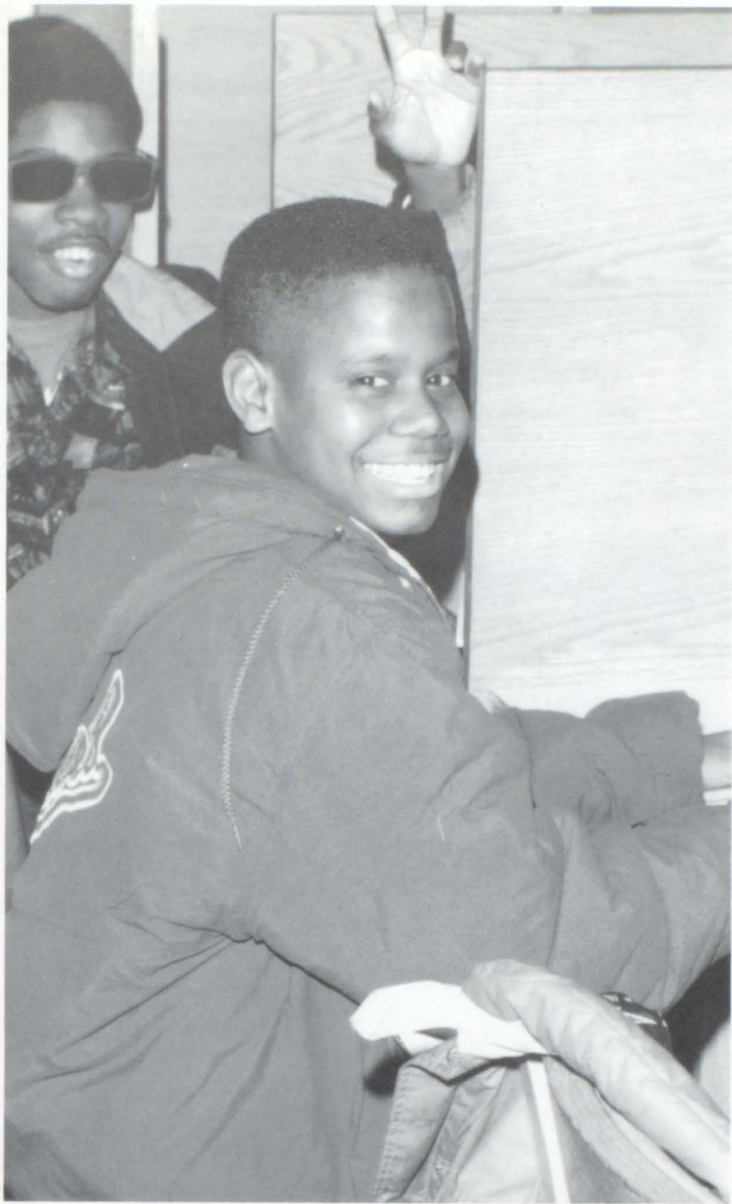
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124 — Mr. Grimsley

R. Armstrong, A. Crews, A. Erving, S. Lee, S. Martin, G. Sledge, R. Smith, G. Talmadge, E. Webb, A. Rahman, L. Evans, K. Hassan, P. Amos, H. Cooper, M. Davis, R. Fields, M. Jackson, H. Johnson, L. Nelson, T. Ward.

429 — Ms. Trueheart

A. Bell, J. Bell, L. Brown, R. Gunter, T. Harris, E. Hines, A. Jones, B. Jones, T. Nickerson, H. Roberts, M. Saunders, S. Saunders, M. Staton, K. Toney, E. Turner, T. Williams, C. Higgs, T. Manley, K. Palmer, J. Williams, J. Stokes, S. Brown.

427 — Mr. Rispo

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407 — Mr. Durkin

R. Harris, M. McQueen, B. Moody, N. Muhammad, R. Rodriguez, P. Rosa, J. Whitaker, J. Wiley, T. Banks, K. Hay, T. McFadden, Y. Simmons, R. Smith, D. Thomas, S. West, L. Wilkins.

400 — Ms. DeRosa

T. Quran, R. Mitchell, D. Rountre, K. Walker, M. Wesley, N. Wiggins, N. Williams, B. Williams, A. Watson, M. Fredrick, M. Berry, M. Montalvo, A. Mosley, Z. Singleton, M. Stevenson, A. Washington, L. Washington, J. Weathers, W. Wiley, L. Williams, M. Williams, Q. Ware, K. Knight, Y. Robinson.

343 — Mr. Manczur

J. De La Cruz, A. Stevens, J. Stewart, T. Terrell, A. Thomas, J. Thomas, J. Thompson, J. Chevalier, D. Sparks, S. Speller, R. Stewart, G. Suarez, L. Suarez, T. Sutton, J. Terry, D. Timpson, S. Townes.

341 — Mr. Thompson

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108 — Mr. Dortch

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250 — Ms. Buffong

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126 — Ms. Brant

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An Inspirational Gathering

On February 13, as part of our celebration of African American History Month, we were privileged to welcome Ms. Yolanda King, the daughter of the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Ms. King brought us an important message, reminding us all of the importance of striving for our goals.

Ms. King, in speaking of our namesake Malcolm X Shabazz, told us that even though many people try to portray her father and Malcolm as opponents, they were really the best of friends. They had similar dreams for their people but, like many friends, disagreed about how some of those dreams might be achieved. Yet in most things, they agreed.

Ms. King also noted that being at Shabazz had special meaning for her since her father visited our school only a week before his tragic death in Memphis in 1968.





a TOUCH OF CLASS

Maryann McDonald strikes a carefree pose



"Maybe if I *pretend* it's food I can eat it"

A camera always draws a crowd!

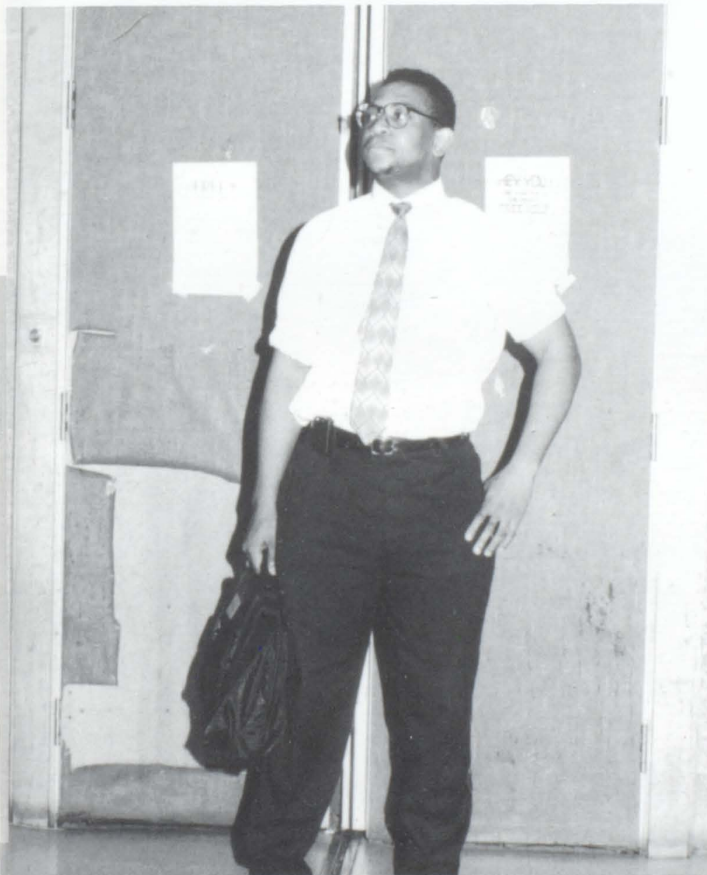




School Life

A Touch of Halloween

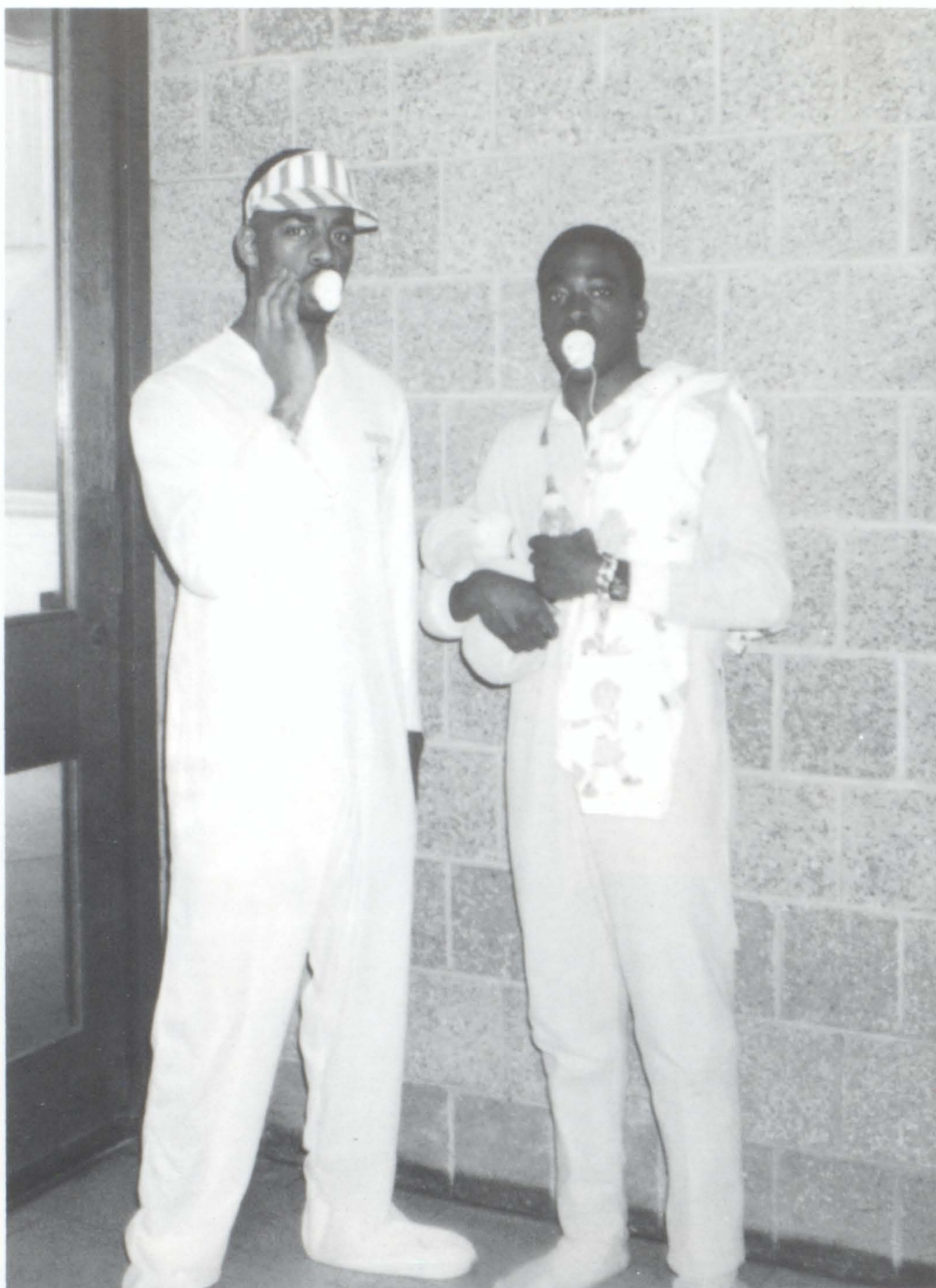




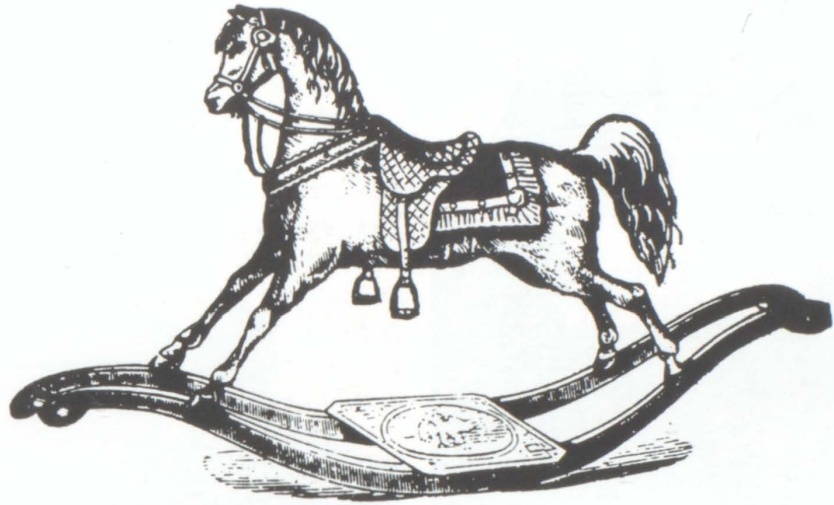


M*emories*





A touch of silliness ...



Cory McCoy and Darrell Lee show off their rap style.

Sajadah really puts some feeling into her song.



Christina Porter talks about what she believes in.

Isn't this Venus really a goddess?





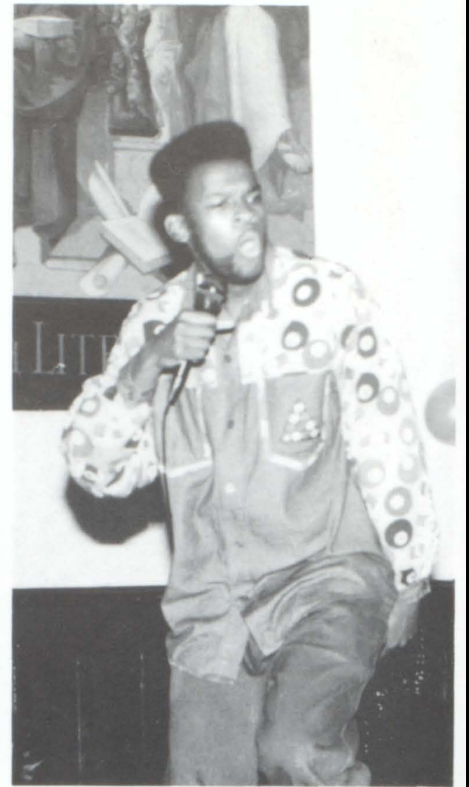
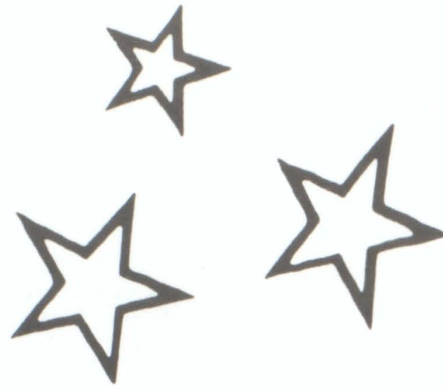
H *omecoming*

After an absence of several years, Malcolm X Shabazz High school once again had a Homecoming Pageant. This year, the pageant took the form of a talent contest which students fro Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior Classes used to showcase their special abilities.

Held in January, the pageant made a nice way to brighten up the grey winter days. The participants all worked hard to make a successful event, and it showed in the finished product.



Germani and Raymond gave their all in a love song. Well, talent *does* come in different levels!



Darrell Lee shows the crowd his moves.



Rasheedah Cooper lets her emotions show as she is crowned Miss Junior.

Sajadah and Raymond after winning the coveted titles of Ms. and Mr. MXS.



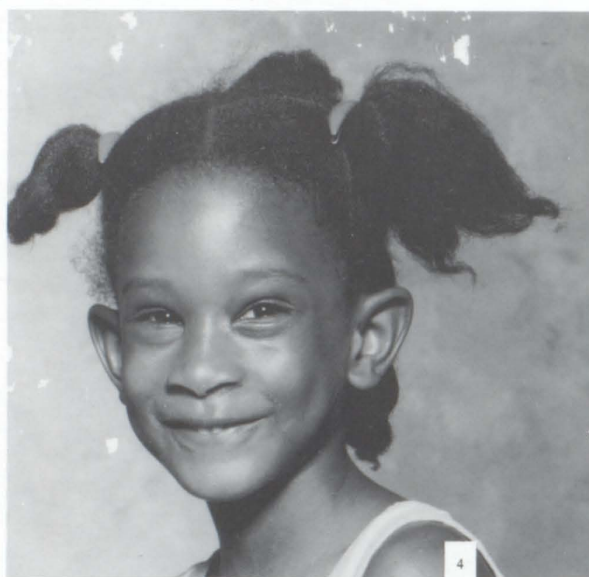


Contestants gathered on stage anxiously await the judges' decision.



Janice Anderson performs a modern dance routine for the contest.

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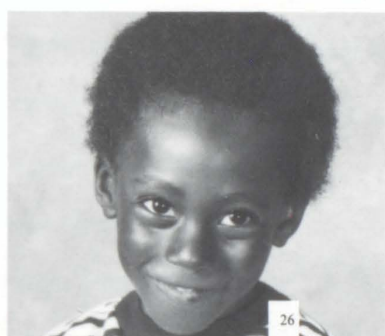
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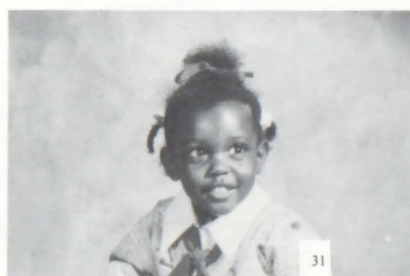
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*Looking
back ...*

What if ...

Mr. Cook wore a leather lime green suit with suede shoes and hat to match.

the students were given a choice of outside lunch . . . and came back!

all the girls at Shabazz were friends.

we were ALL MXS Bulldogs.

Devonne Handford minded her own business.

Shaleta Jackson and Kevin Fitchett got married.

everybody passed Mrs. Towe's class with an "A."

Sajadah Gordon became the next Oprah Winfrey.

Rodney Spencer's girlfriend found out he was cheating?

Ms. Carmichael was lightskinned with long hair.

Tasha Walker kept her promises.

Rhonda Thomas had her hair done and wore a skirt and shoes.

Beverly Ellison was six foot two and coordinated.

Mr. Salama didn't have his yardstick.

with Penny it wasn't always a "black thing."

Ms. Towe had jerry curls.

Can You Imagine ...

Tonya Rivera with her hair done.

Jamesetta bald-headed.

Venus's socks matching.

Michael Jackson married with six children.

Mr. Hammerman weighing 120 pounds.

Devon Vialva not ever talking about sex.

Mr. Gaines with a bald head.

Ms. Barrell as a ballet dancer.

Mr. Heady with a 'fro.

Monique Sellers graduating with the class of 1992.

Robert Hardy dressing clean every day.

Dawn Robinson minding her own business.

Mr. McClendon playing basketball.

Sharifah Turman acting serious for one day.

Willie and Monique back together.

the Shabazz Baseball team being state champs.

Ms. Bennett and Ms. Hargrove not talking in the hall.

Mrs. Richard not wearing a pair of bugged-out shoes.

everyone graduated on time.

the world was peaceful.

Rodney Spencer with a curly kit.

Willie Taylor not trying to talk to every girl in Shabazz.

Ms. Goss not trying to act cute.

the cafeteria served real food.

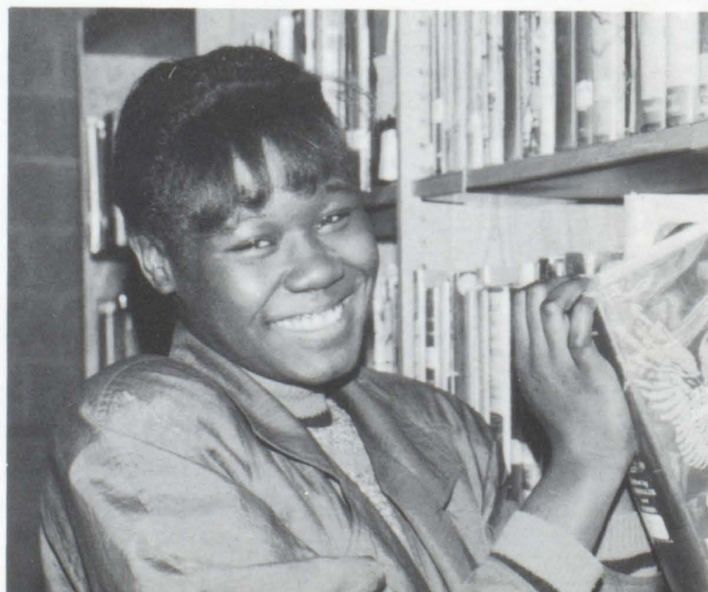
Stephanie without boy problems.

Ms. Van Stuyvesant with a new hair style.

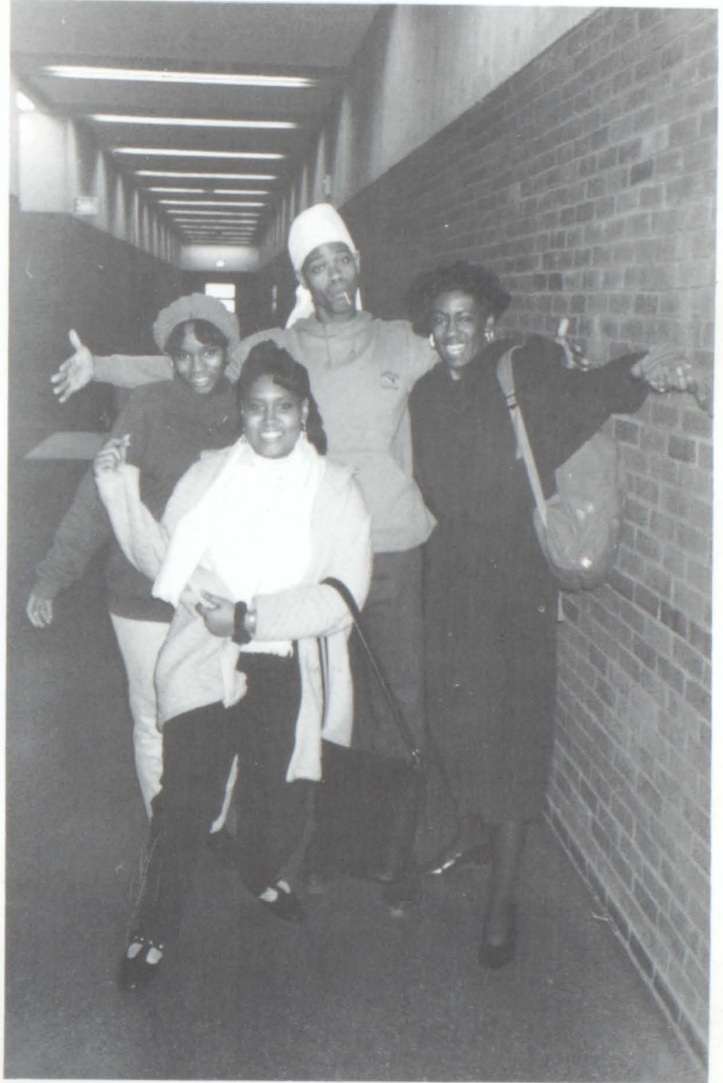
Last Will and Testament

- I, Rodney Hammock, leave my trumpet skills and my talent to create music to Kirk Russell.
- I, Rhonda Thomas, leave my love and pride to the students who walk down the halls of Malcolm X Shabazz.
- I, Monique Mitchell, leave Kelly Babbs sitting here after I leave.
- I, Davonne Handford, leave my grades, beauty, and basketball ability to Christina Porter.
- I, Robert Hardy, leave the underclassmen and the advisors the will to make a better world.
- I, Rodney Spencer, leave my athletic abilities to Almalik Allen.
- I, Sajada J.B. Gordon, leave all of my talent, my outspoken ability, and intelligence with M.X.S.
- I, Bonita Meggett, leave all my knowledge and love to Vaughn Johnson and Jennifer Benjamin.
- I, Takisha Harrell, leave all my working abilities to every student in Malcolm X Shabazz.
- I, James Clemons, leave my athletic abilities to Redd (Ramon Lee).
- I, Anita Meggett, leave my brains and beauty to all the freshman girls, and to Jennifer I leave all of Shabazz skeezers.
- I, Aquilla Joiner, leave my heart to Manny from Avon Avenue.
- I, Desiree, leave my yearbook and the rest of my things to my grandmother.
- I, Tomikica Davis, leave my favorite teacher, Ms. Carmichael, my personality to the junior class, and my good looks to all the female juniors.
- I, Sakinah McDonald, leave to my closest friend, Christina Miller, my friendship while I'm away in college.
- I, Tracy Cummings, leave the senior class of 1992 lots of success in the future.
- I, Chanell, leave my books and old teachers to my brother Maurice.
- I, Darrell Lee, leave all my smarts and silliness to my cousin, Allisha McKay.
- I, Willie Taylor, leave my skeezing to every boy in Shabazz.
- I, Sharifah, leave my craziness, my styles and the memories of me to Malcolm X Shabazz.
- I, Kamesha Bailey, leave everything I own to my mother and little sister.
- I, Elijah Harris, leave my funniness and playful acts to the next tallest senior.
- I, Robert Cook, leave this school to all juniors.
- I, Dawn Roberson, leave my books to all the underclassmen.
- I, Freda, leave my hats in memory of me to M.X.S.
- I, Shakira Holmes, leave Mr. Salama a brand new pair of sneakers.
- I, Vonetta Davis, leave Shabazz a new cafeteria staff.
- I, Maisha Tate, leave everything I own to my daughter, Sharise Tate.
- I, Felicia Richardson, leave Jabari and the Jungle Crew my brains.
- I, Natasha Flowers, leave my ability to work, have good attendance, and to come to school for an education.
- I, Jamesetta, leave with the students of Shabazz the understanding and the appreciation of good teachers.
- I, Antoine Iszard, leave to Mr. Hammerman a new suit, soap, and some speed stick.
- I, Ola, leave my will and my property to my family and may God rest my soul.
- I, Shalita Jackson, leave all my important possessions to my daughter.
- I, Kachia Hayes, leave my determination, hard work, and willingness to strive to all of Malcolm X Shabazz.
- I, Shileen Shaw, leave my dear pal, Tracy Cummings, sitting at my desk in Ms. Towe's class after I'm gone.
- I, A. Sutton, leave my failing grades to burn, burn, burn.
- We, the Class of 1992, leave to the Class of 1993 our hopes, our dreams and our desire to succeed. Good Luck!

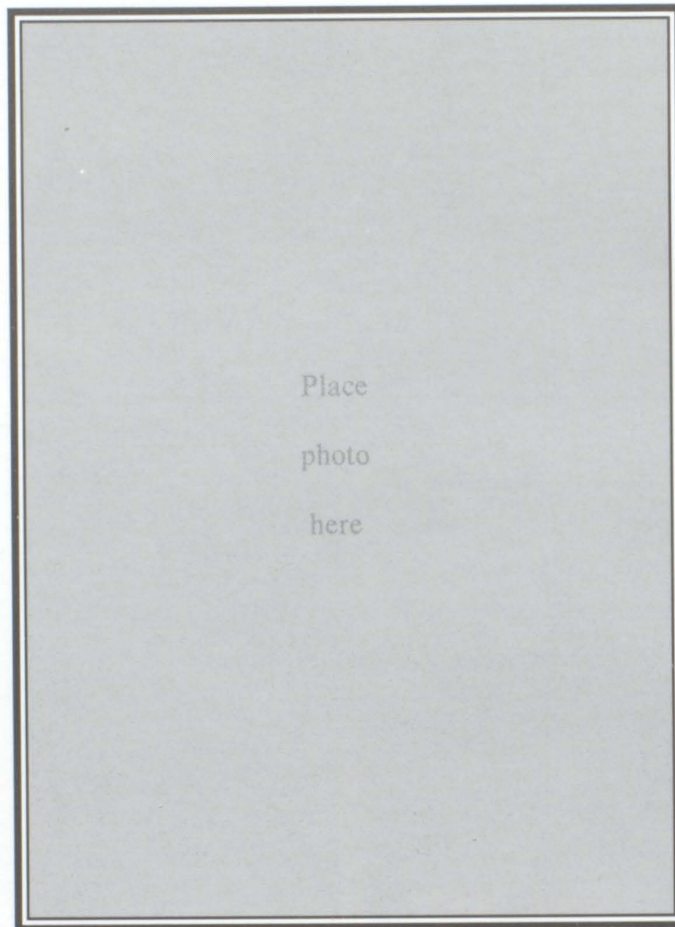
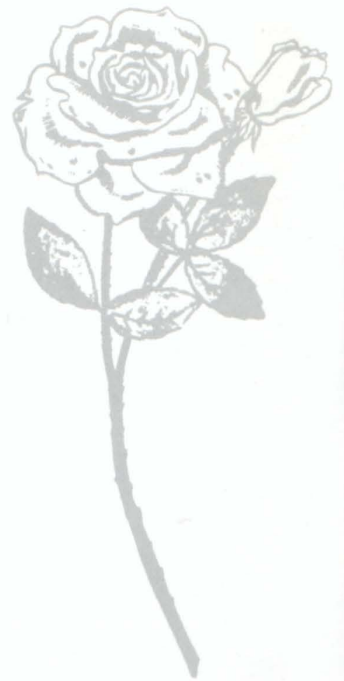




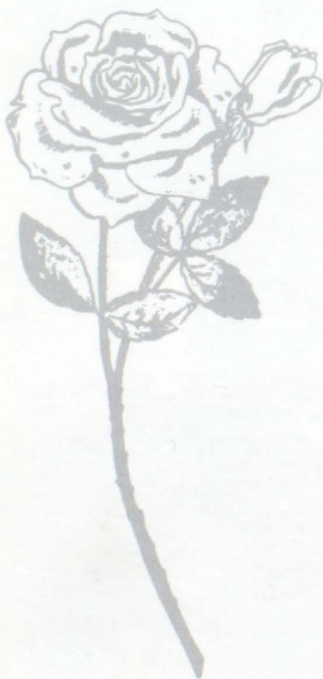
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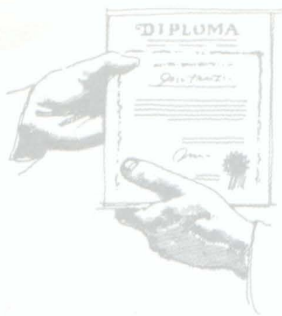
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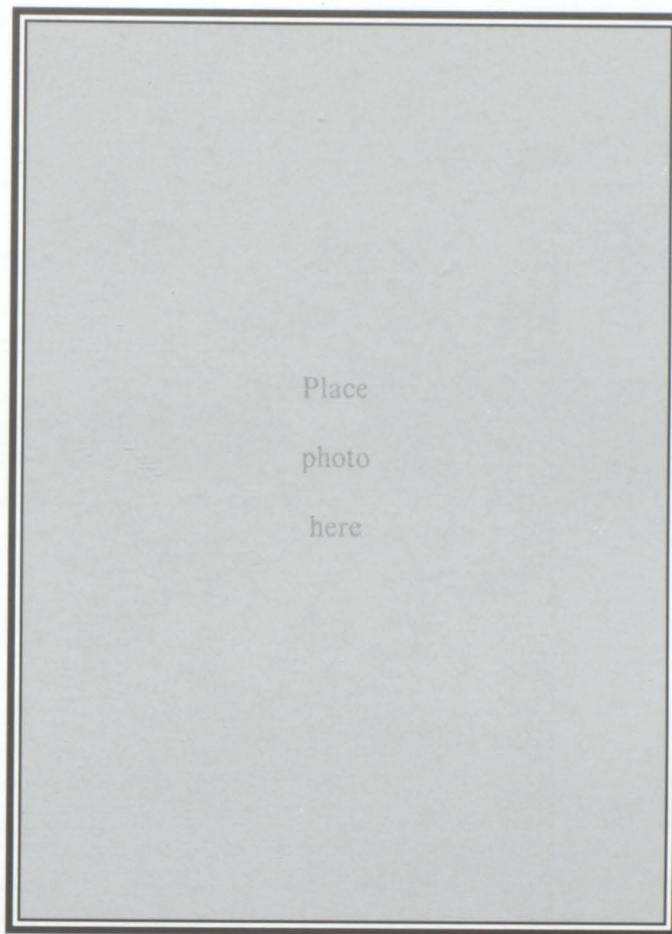
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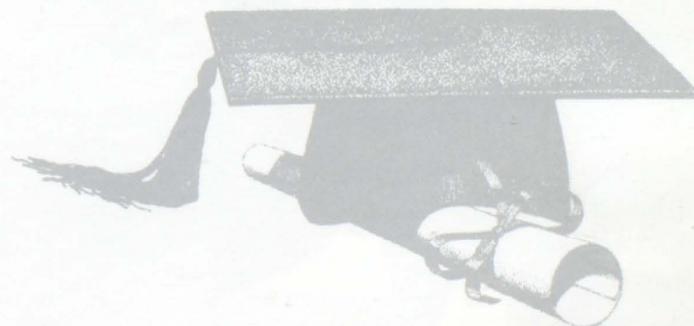
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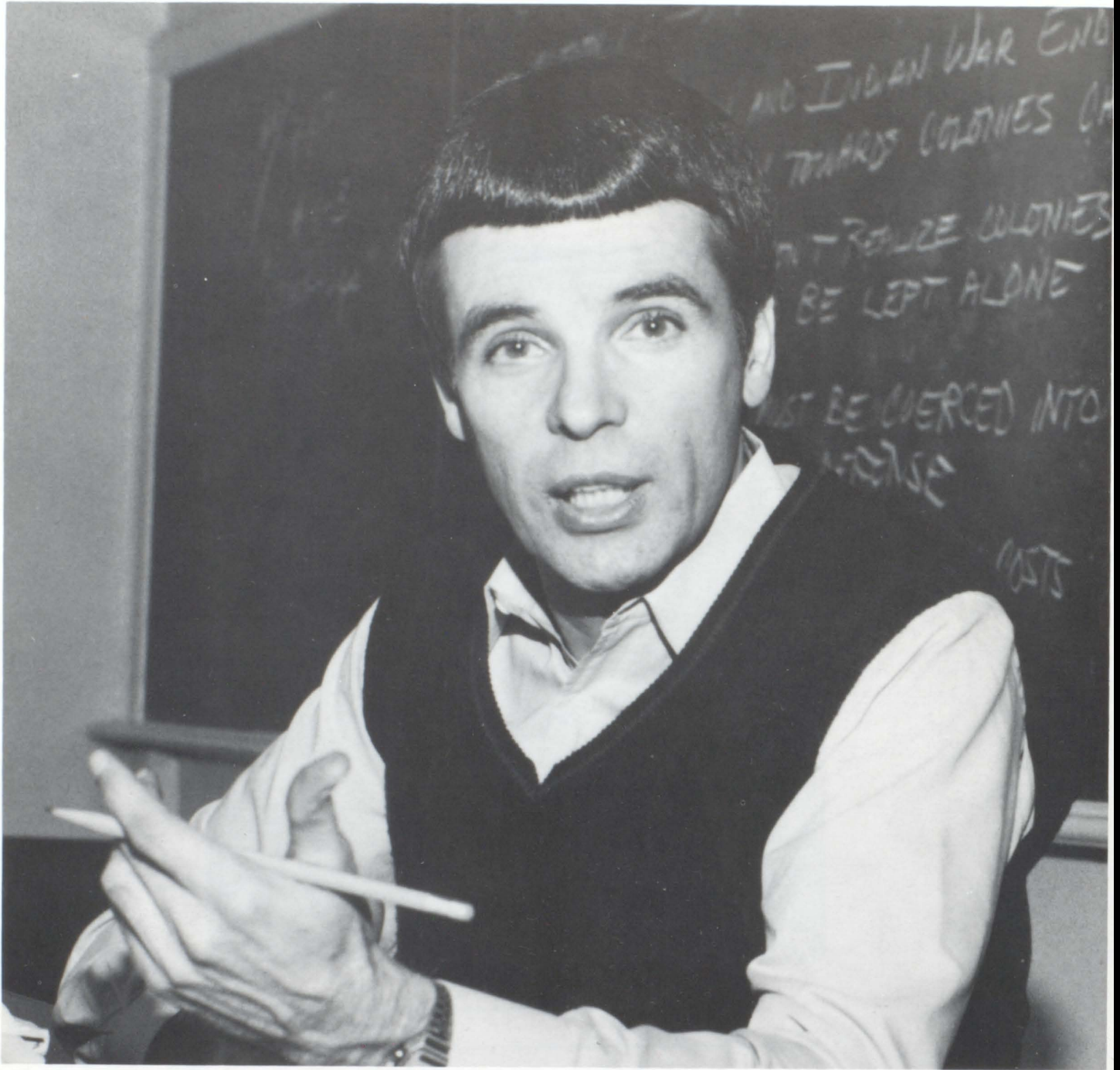
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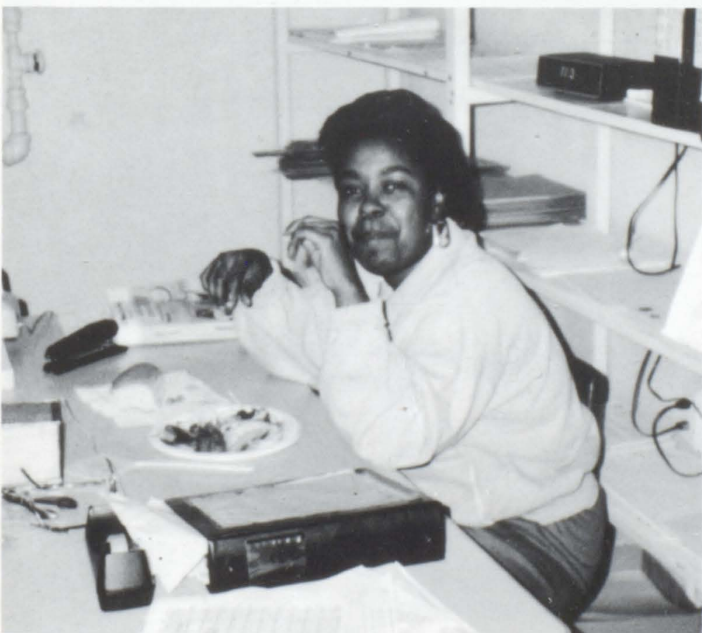
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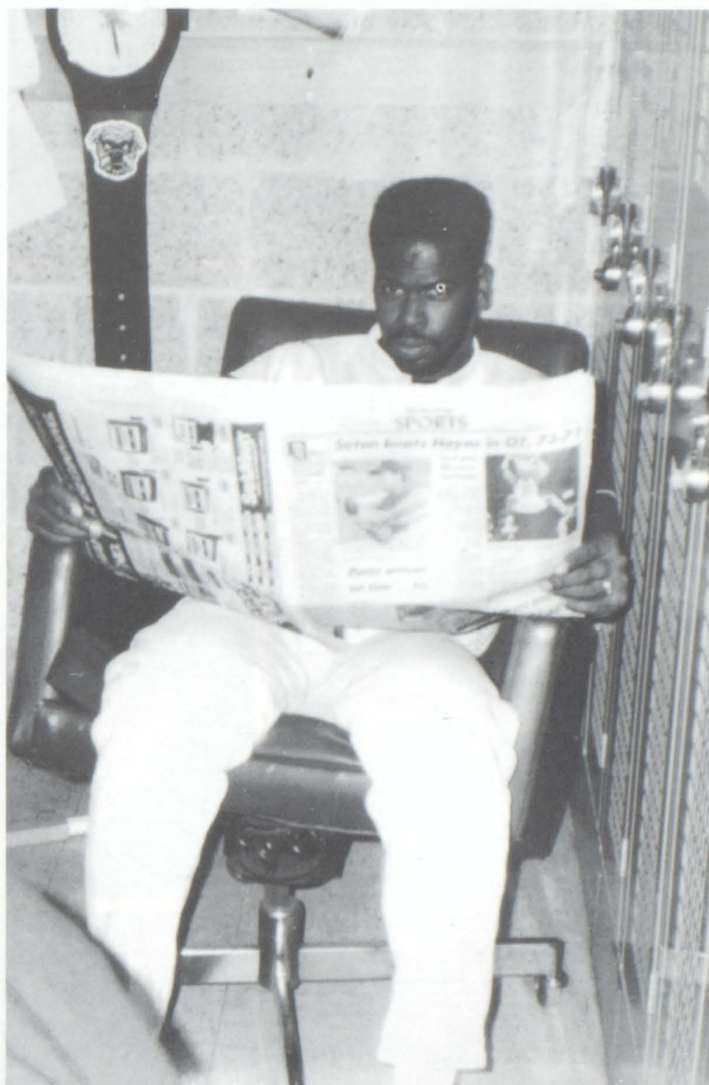


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Miss Calendar



Camille Cox

Calendar Contest Winners

DaVonne Handford
Robert Hardy
Venus Williams
Kachia Hayes

Boosters

Camille Cox

Charlene A. Hines
Maldine C. Dowdy
Thelma Hines
Darren Dowdy
Joseph L. Hines
Courtney Cox
Claudene Franklin
William Cox
Devvan S. Dowdy
Marva Jordan
Diondre & Tony Logan
Sylvia Byers
Elizabeth Bell
Alice White
Maryella Davis
Elena & Tyisha Martinez
Myrna Ruels
Jean Tharrington
Carolyn Threadgill
Terry Nicosia
Al Lewis
Sharon Dorsey & Family
Brenda L. Florence
Betty Jenkins
Edward B. Carter
Fay Wiggins
Rosemary Bethea
Nate & Natalie
Haniyyah Mateen
Patricia Neal
Larry Bowens
Marela Pazos
Elder James Higgins
Betty Crawford
Patricia Beckles
Dorothy Aregbel R.N.
Selina Mlandawine
Reggie Barrett
Celestine Hines
Greg & Sabrina
Brenda Rhoe
Margaret Capehart-Hunt
Brenda Flowers
Sharonda Ali Khan
Betty Semak
Debra Handy
William C. Hines

Tara & Tameerah Hines
Christopher & Kiersten Hines

DaVonne Handford

Mr. Salama
C. Baskerville
Mrs. Maxter
Mr. January
Mrs. Robinson
Mr. Frank Robinson Sr.
Latanya Robinson
Frank Robinson Jr.
Yett-Yett
Mr. & Mrs. Victor Peart
Arthur Watkins
Jack Korbman
M. Williams
Thomas Boose
James Williams
Clark Lissner
James F. Murray
Louis Grimsley
Mrs. Kathleen Witcher
Veronica Bridges
Phyllis L. Burrell
Michael Handford Sr.
Michael Handford Jr.
Charlie Weathers
Akeera Weathers
Mary Sabb
Bobbie "Nell" Jackson
Jasmine Jackson
Dametrius Jackson
Mark Loves Temesha
Shirley Weathers
Andrea Christian
Jeanette Petford
Ronald Petford Sr.
Ronald "Keith" Petford Jr.
Tynisha Petford
Mr. Gatling
Bernetta St. Smith
Sandra Tatum
Mrs. Mamie St. Thomas
Christina Porter
Teeshon Smith
Mr. McClendon
Mr. R. Davis

Venus Williams

Willie Ryan
Mrs. Bennett
William K. Jackson
W.I. American Mini Market
Leslie Love
Barbara Jones
Brenda A. Rodgers
Mark D. Jusley
Pamela Mathews
Dwayne Garrison
Joseph Grant
Mr. & Mrs. Terry
Mr. Gaines
Coach De Lorenzo
E. Estevez
Phillip Thigpen
Mayor Robert L. Brown
Terry & Rea Reilly
Joseph A.
Don Wilson Sr.
Evelyn Williams
Craig McCararo
Joseph Nutile Jr.
Ella Williams

Robert Hardy

Dewayne Daniels
Edward Miles
Veronica Thomas
Louis Mills
Willie Sellers
Joseph Walters
William Smith
Annie McKay
Jackie Rodgers
Jimmie El Amin
Try Me Deli
Jeannie Freeman
Avon Health and Variety
J.R. Blackwell
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James Noble
Mike Reed
James O. Holloy
Leroy Murry
Robert Lewis

David A. Nicholas
Katherine Denton
George Clapps
John Shaw
Mrs. Williams
Albert Haynes
Melvin McSween
Diane Wilson
Jimmie Smith
Doretha Battle
Willie Ware
Eddie Massie
Delan Koonce
Ike Tyndell
John Cousar
Doug Jones
Langston Browning
Fletcher McGuire
Pete Way
Ralph A. Dunn
Marvin C. Sykes
Eddie Chisholm
Tom Harris
Arthur Ellison
Theodore Pederon
Evelyn Wright
James H. Blackwell
Curtis W. Berkely
Mr. Gray
Jamey & Jamalyn Rodgers
Arlene Hardy
Jim Hunter
Arthur Hooper
Hollywood Ali
Thelma Yancy
Elliott Darisaw

Kachia Hayes

Lisa Cowan
Gladys Todd
Mr. Robert Davis
Kachia Hayes

CONGRATULATIONS

To
Robert Hardy
on your
graduation

Sr. Officer
Doris Drake

Sr. Officer
James Blackwell

Essex County Youth House

To:

Davonne Handford — Senior Captain
Rhonda Thomas
Beverly Ellison

LADY BULLDOGS BASKETBALL

Thank you for your contributions
to our winning tradition —

You will be missed!!!

Coach Vanessa Watson

Congratulations
TO THE GRADUATING MEMBERS OF
THE SPEECH AND DEBATE TEAM

Shaveena Dunbar
Darrell Lee*
Anita Meggett

George Johnson*
Sakinah McDonald
Penny Meredith

Venus Williams

*State Champions

I am extremely proud of you. We have worked so closely together and have grown very close — we are family.

As your coach, your friend, and your “mother”, I want only the best for you. The many hours of practice, practice, practice have not been in vain. You have demonstrated that you can compete with the best and succeed. I expect no less as you take your place in society. Wherever you go, whatever you do, listen closely, and you’ll hear me saying, “You’ll rise, you’ll rise, you’ll rise!” I’ll always be there.

I love you,
Princess Towe

KACHIA HAYES
CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR GRADUATION

This is just the Beginning for you.
Remember, you are a "Can Do Person"
Through Christ who strengthens you!
Go With God!!!



Love,
Sister Carol Cowan

To Vonnie
May you find continued Success
Through Hard Work, Desire,
and Perseverance.
Best Wishes!!!

Coach Trembley

To Camille Cox:

Your Family Loves You.

When life gets hard,
when it seems that everything
is working against you,
and even the simplest thing
you try to do gets complicated —
Just remember,
your family loves you.
And when life is good,
when things are going your way
and everything you touch
turns to gold,
and every cloud turns out
to have a silver lining —
Just remember,
your family loves you.

— Sincerely,
Daddy, Mommy,
Courtney, William Jr.

Congratulations Class of '92

Ed Koch
Alumnus

Kachia Hayes
Congratulations Kachia
You can do it!!!
Lance Cowan

Camille Cox
Congratulations to
Camille Dawn Cox
on your Graduation —
Good luck in your future
I am proud of you!!

Carey J. Hines
Dimension Software Systems

To Vonnie

You know we love you.
We wish you all the luck
in the world!!!

Love, Granny
and your Sister, Nicole

Camille Cox

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Ms. Mary Bennett
Principal

Congratulations
to
The OPTIMIST Staff
and
The Class of 1992

Mr. Robert Davis
Advisor

THE OPTIMIST
STAFF
CONGRATULATES
the
CLASS OF 1992



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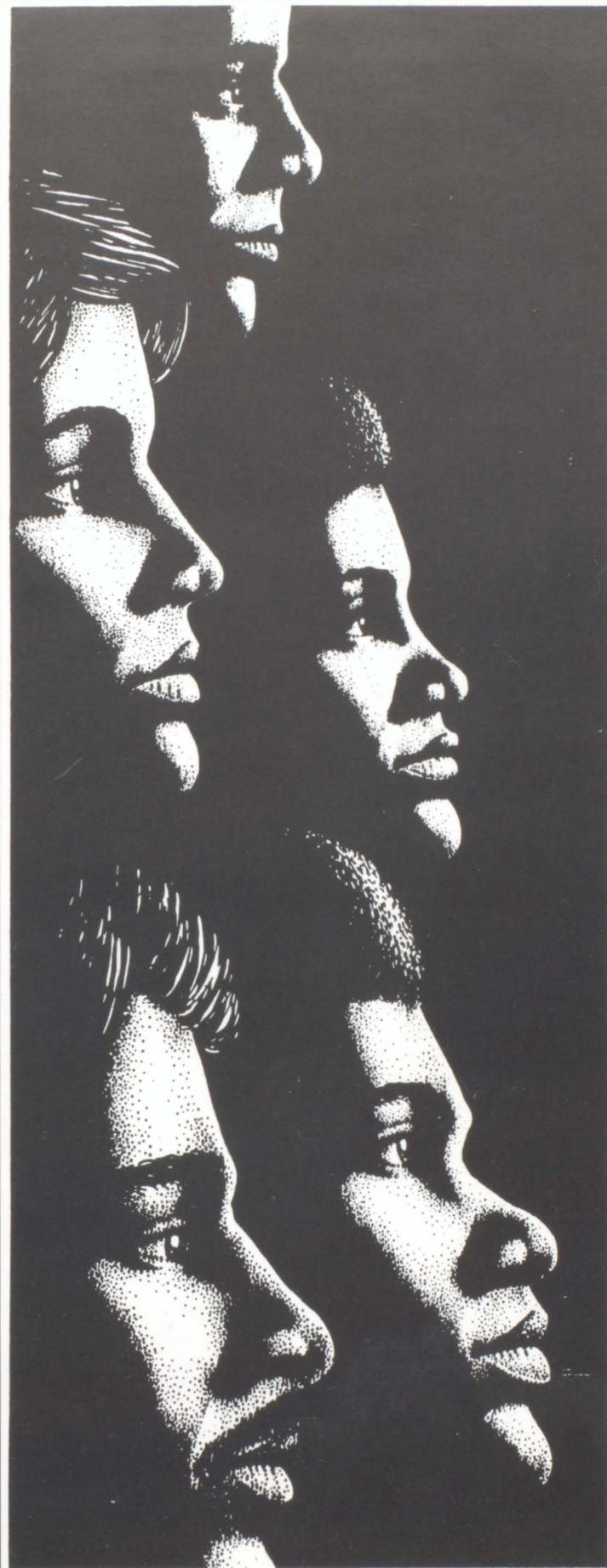
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From your
Senior Homeroom Teachers

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Ms. Carmichael
Mr. Gaines
Mr. Johnson
Ms. Richards
Ms. Travitt
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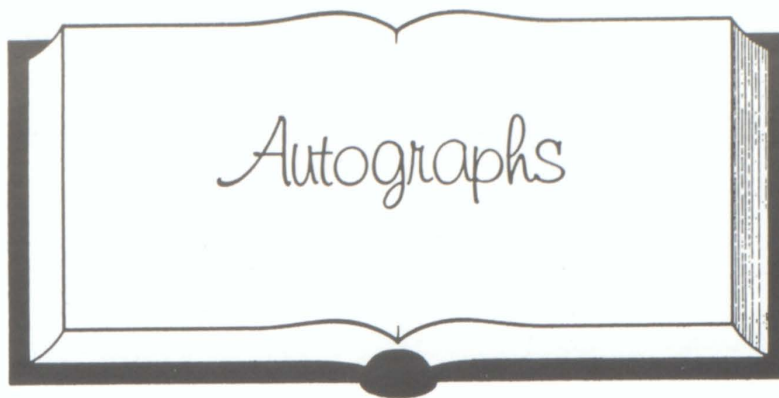
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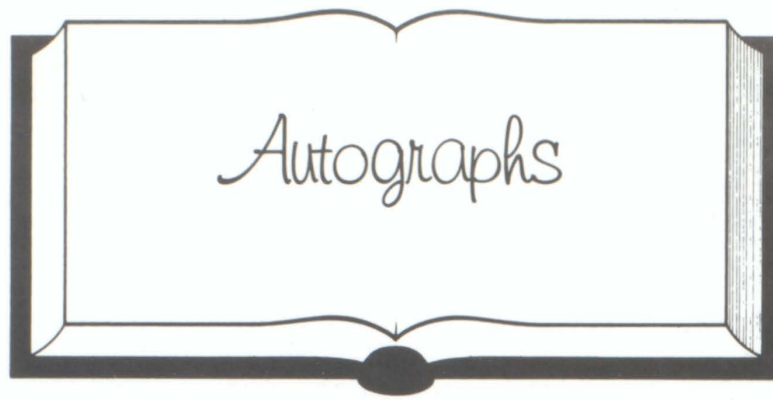


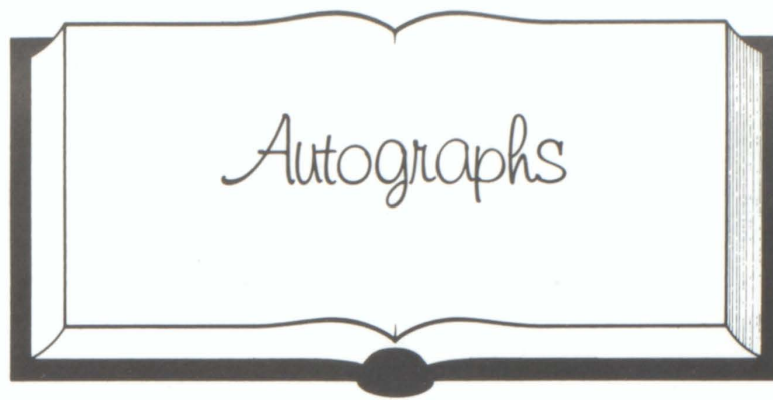
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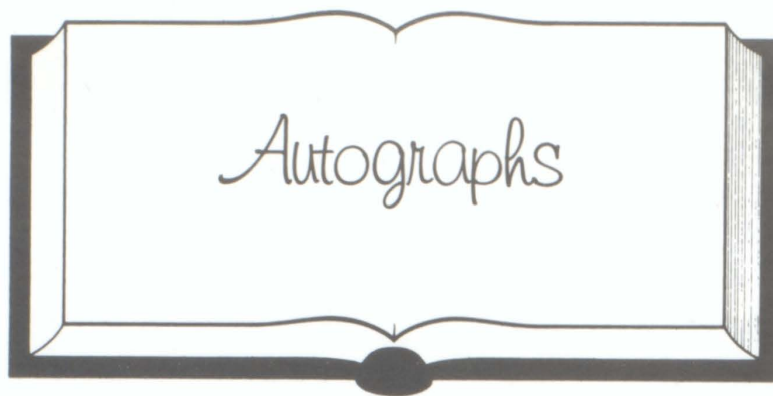
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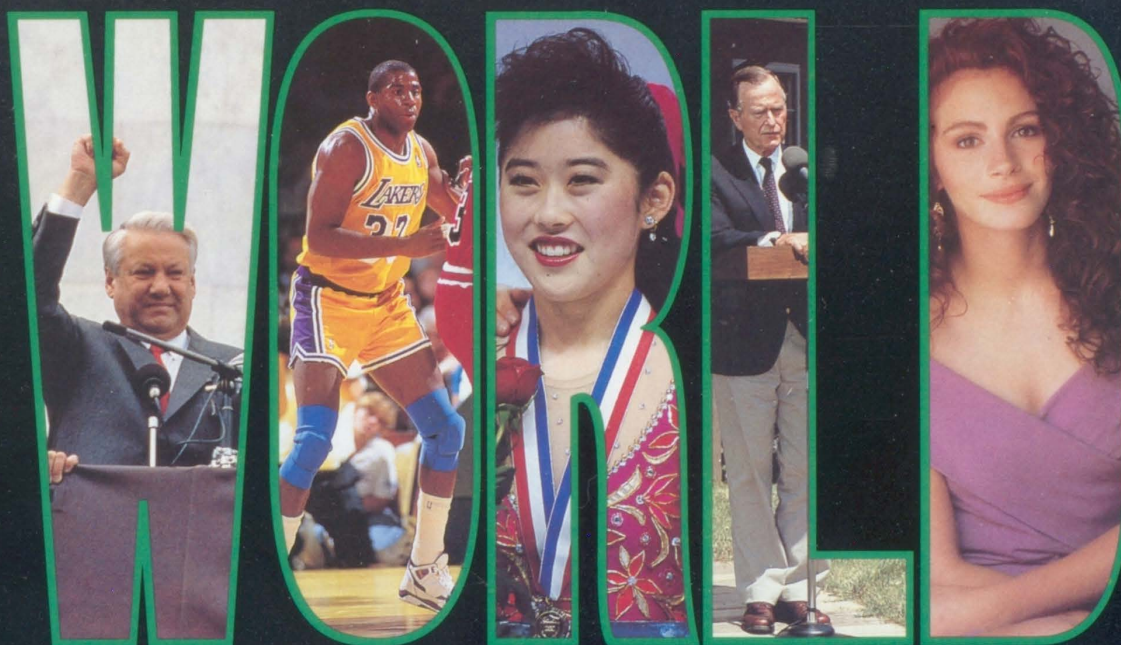


*Education is our passport to the future
For tomorrow belongs to the people
Who prepare for it today.*

— El Hajj Malik al-Shabazz

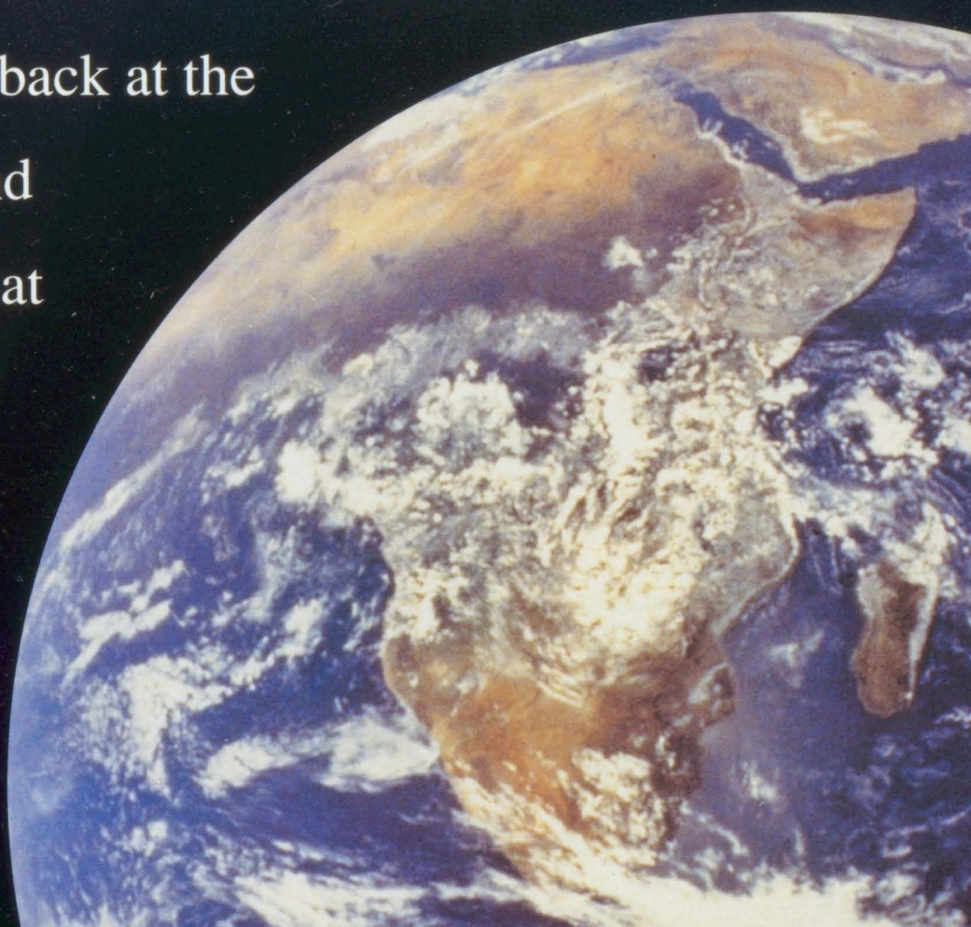


With the words of Malcolm in our hearts, the Class of 1992 says "Farewell" and looks to the future.



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Looking back at the
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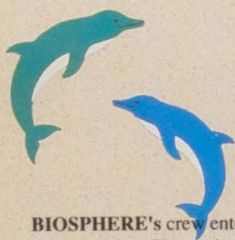




PEOPLE AND PERSPECTIVES

Clarance Thomas was preparing to be sworn in as history's second black Supreme Court Justice when Anita Hill alleged he had sexually harassed her. After three days of testimony, Thomas was confirmed. • America was stunned as it watched the brutal beating of Rodney King by four Los Angeles police officers. The assault of the 25 year old black man was videotaped by an amateur photographer. • William Kennedy Smith was accused of raping a young girl in Palm Beach, Florida. Jurors only took 77 minutes to return a verdict of "not-guilty." • Biosphere 2 was plagued with controversy. Following rumors of fraud and deception, it was questioned whether the project was an experiment of science or business. • Former heavyweight champion Mike Tyson was charged with one count of rape, two counts of deviate sexual conduct, and one count of confinement. Tyson was found guilty on three counts.

RODNEY KING is beaten by four Los Angeles police officers while 12 other officers stand watching.



BIOSPHERE's crew enters a life of total isolation. The project is criticized for having little or no scientific value.



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CLARENCE THOMAS describes the Supreme Court Confirmation Hearings as a "high-tech lynching."

ANITA HILL testifies to the Senate Judiciary Committee. Polls reveal a majority of American men and women do not believe her story.



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WILLIAM KENNEDY SMITH is found "not-guilty" of rape. Kennedy's defense cost an estimated \$1 million.



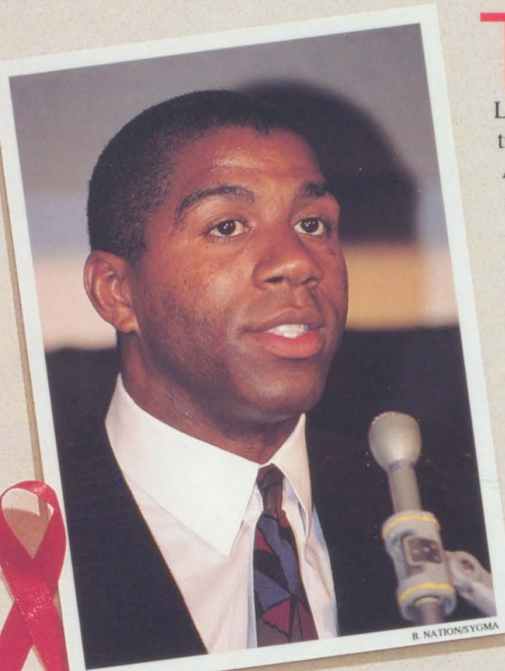
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SPECIAL REPORT



Thursday, November 14, 1991, Earvin "Magic" Johnson announced his retirement from the Los Angeles

Lakers after testing positive for the HIV virus. Determined to turn tragedy into opportunity, Magic pledged to become a spokesman for AIDS research. • In the past year, eleven hostages were released from captivity in Lebanon, including six Americans. Terry Anderson, held for 2,455 days, was the last American hostage released. He was held captive longer than any other hostage. Two German relief workers remained in captivity. • The nation's attention turned to Hawaii on December 7, as we marked the 50th Anniversary of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. • Milwaukee serial killer Jeffrey Dahmer pled guilty by reason of insanity on 15 counts of murder. After a search of his apartment, police found 11 dismembered bodies, seven skulls, and a heart in the refrigerator. Dahmer was found sane on all counts and sentenced to 937 years in prison.



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MAGIC JOHNSON becomes a National Spokesman for AIDS. "Here I am saying it can happen to anybody, even me, Magic Johnson." Many celebrities wore red ribbons to promote AIDS awareness.

BRITISH HOSTAGE John McCarthy, with his father and the British ambassador, celebrates his release from captivity.

TERRY ANDERSON is the final American hostage released.



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SURVIVORS OF PEARL HARBOR return to pay homage to the brave men and women who died during the attack that early Sunday morning 50 years ago.

YOUR VIEWS ON NEWS

What do you believe was the most memorable or controversial issue of the year?



NATIONAL REVIEW

After the Gulf War, President George Bush's approval rating of 89% was one of the highest in history. However, domestic problems, especially the economy, caused his rating to drop as low as 44% before the New Hampshire Primary. The people of that state sent the President a message with their vote. While President Bush won, his opponent, Pat Buchanan, received over 40% of the vote.

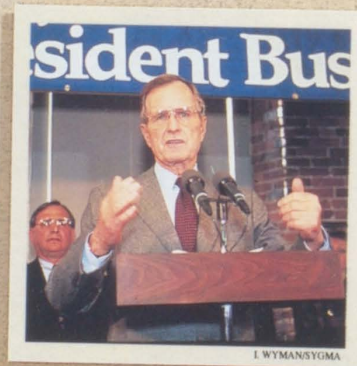
- Former Massachusetts Senator, Paul Tsongas, led the Democratic candidates in New Hampshire. Former California Governor, Jerry Brown, came from last place in New Hampshire to tie Tsongas in the Maine caucuses.
- The Democrats waited for "Super Tuesday" to determine a clear-cut presidential contender.
- Last year, 25 million people were unemployed at some time and the number of homeless Americans grew at an alarming rate.
- In 1991, retailers experienced the lowest sales growth in three decades.
- After the initial elation about the Gulf War victory, some Americans came to feel that the war ended too soon and Saddam Hussein still posed a threat. In November of 1991, the last of the 714 burning Kuwaiti oil wells was capped off as the people of Kuwait struggled to rebuild their homeland.



THE HOMELESS exemplify the many people suffering from the longest recession since the Great Depression of the 1930s.



U.S. AND ALLIED FORCES liberate Kuwait. Hundreds of burning oil wells, sabotaged by the Iraqis, take 10 months to extinguish.



ACCORDING TO POLITICAL STRATEGISTS, George Bush's international leadership is the cornerstone of his re-election campaign.



FIVE OF THE MEN who are in the race for the Democratic nomination: Senator Bob Kerrey of Nebraska, Senator Tom Harkin of Iowa, former California Governor Jerry Brown, Governor Bill Clinton of Arkansas, and former Massachusetts Senator Paul Tsongas.



INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS



In August 1991, Communist hard-liners attempted to overthrow Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev in a military coup. Resisted by supporters of reform, the coup failed, but weakened Gorbachev's position. Soon thereafter, Gorbachev resigned and the Soviet Union dissolved.

Russian President Boris Yeltsin, along with the leaders of 10 other former Soviet republics, formed a Commonwealth of Independent States. Yeltsin promised to accelerate market-driven economic reforms, but the lives of people did not improve quickly enough to prevent food shortages and homelessness. Muscovites flocked to the streets to sell their personal belongings to help pay for food and clothing. • Despite George Bush's aggressive trade stand with Japan, United States exports were not expected to be much affected. However, Bush did come away with an agreement by Japan to open a \$6 billion government computer market to foreign firms. Japanese auto companies also agreed to ask their dealers to sell a token number of additional U.S. cars. • Yugoslavia broke into a bitter civil war on June 25, 1991, when the

RESISTANCE BY SUPPORTERS of independence and reform assist in the failure of the coup attempt to overthrow Gorbachev.

republics of Croatia and Slovenia declared their independence from the federal government in Belgrade.



THE YUGOSLAVIAN REPUBLICS of Croatia and Slovenia declare independence, 14 cease-fires are broken, and more than 7,000 people are dead.

JAPANESE CAR MAKERS agree to purchase more U.S. auto parts over the next 3 years with commitments adding up to \$10 billion.



F.Y.I. For Your Information

Favorite Political Candidate: _____

Most Important National Issue: _____

Most Important International Issue: _____



ENTERTAINMENT PROFILE

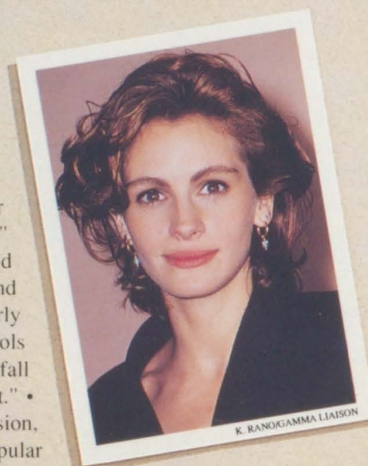
Julia Roberts continued the success found in her movies "Pretty Woman" and "Flatliners" with "Sleeping with the Enemy," "Dying Young," and "Hook." • Macaulay Culkin was busy starring in "My Girl" and rapping in Michael Jackson's "Black or White" video. He also signed to star in the sequel to "Home Alone." • Kevin Costner's "Robin Hood, Prince of Thieves" was one of the most successful movies of the year, while "JFK" was one of the most controversial. • Other popular movies this year were "Terminator 2," "City Slickers," "Silence of the Lambs," "The Addams Family," "The Hand that Rocks the Cradle," "Beauty and the Beast," "Thelma and Louise," "Boyz n the Hood," and "Cape Fear." The "Beverly Hills 90210" group were the most popular kids in schools across America. The Fox Television show premiered in the fall of 1990 and has turned into a "national youth movement." • Michael Landon, loved by millions for his work in television, died on July 1, 1991 of pancreatic cancer. His most popular television shows were "Bonanza," "Little House on the Prairie," and "Highway to Heaven." He was 54. • Bart Simpson became one of the most popular animated characters in television history.

BEVERLY HILLS 90210

is on Thursday nights and deals with real teenage problems.



A. SEMEL/SYGMA



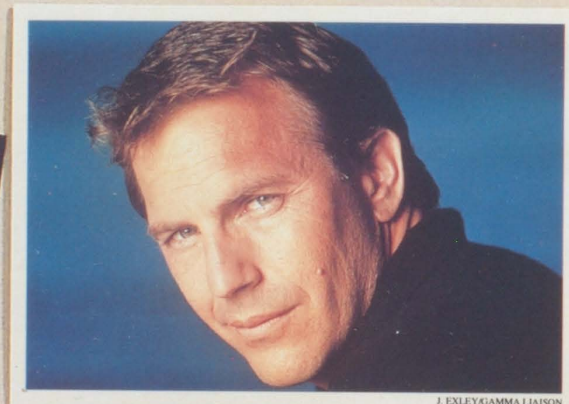
K. RANOGAMMA LIAISON

JULIA ROBERTS is considered the nation's Favorite Movie Actress according to Sassy Magazine.



TRAPPER/SYGMA

MACAULAY CULKIN makes an easy million for the movie "My Girl." The "Home Alone" sequel will bring him an estimated \$4.5 million.

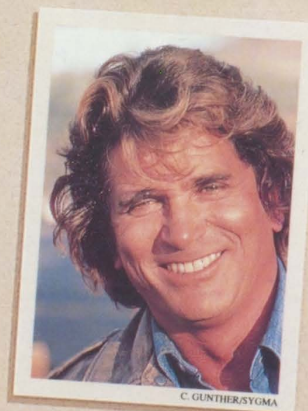


J. EXLEY/GAMMA LIAISON

KEVIN COSTNER is Hollywood's new Mr. Right.



MICHAEL LANDON receives 12,000 letters a week during his illness. His shows portrayed a love of life, God, and family.



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MUSIC TRACKS



MICHAEL JACKSON releases the long-awaited album "Dangerous." The first single from the album is "Black or White."



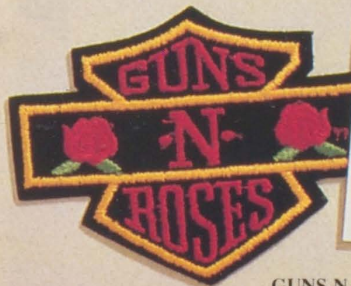
HAMMER drops the "MC" and releases his new single "Too Legit To Quit."



GLORIA ESTEFAN makes a comeback after a serious bus accident. She joins her band for a '91 International Tour and is the featured performer at the '92 Super Bowl halftime show.



GARTH BROOKS breaks new ground. Brooks' new album "Ropin' the Wind" debuts on the top of both the Country and Pop Charts.



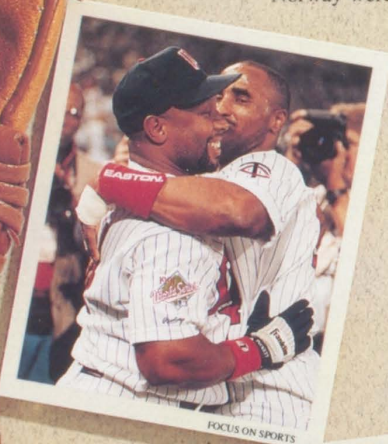
GUNS-N-ROSES releases two new albums: "Use Your Illusion I & II." The albums debuted at the number 1 and 2 spot on the Pop Chart.





SPORTS CONNECTION

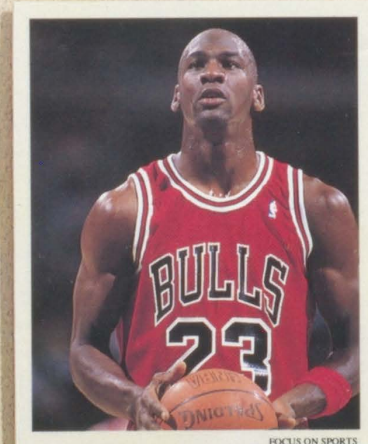
Michael Jordan led the Chicago Bulls in a spectacular battle for the 1991 NBA title. The Bulls defeated the Los Angeles Lakers 4 games to 1. • The Atlanta Braves and the Minnesota Twins rose from the bottom of their leagues and finished the season in a top-notch showdown. Three of the seven games stretched into extra innings. Four of them were won on the game's final pitch. The Series was close, but the Minnesota Twins captured the final game, 1-0 in 10 innings. • The Washington Redskins won Super Bowl XXVI by defeating the Buffalo Bills 37-24. The Redskins won 17 games during the '91-'92 football season and lost only two. • In the 1992 Winter Olympics in Albertville, France, speed skater Bonnie Blair won the first gold medal for the United States in the women's 500 meter. She won a second gold medal in the 1000 meter race. Kristi Yamaguchi became the first American woman to win a gold medal in women's figure skating since 1976. Germany won the most medals overall with 26. The Unified Team, formerly known as the Soviet Union, came in second place with 23 medals. Austria and Norway were the biggest surprises. Austria won 21 medals and Norway won 20. The United States ended up with 11 medals, five more than in the 1988 games.



KIRBY PUCKETT
hits a winning home run. The Minnesota Twins capture the 1991 World Series.



SPEED SKATER
Bonnie Blair wins the first gold medal for the United States Olympic Team.



MICHAEL JORDAN leads the Chicago Bulls to a victorious and long-awaited NBA Championship.



REDSKINS QUARTERBACK MARK RYPIEN is firmly in control. He passes for 292 yards and two touchdowns in the 1992 Super Bowl.

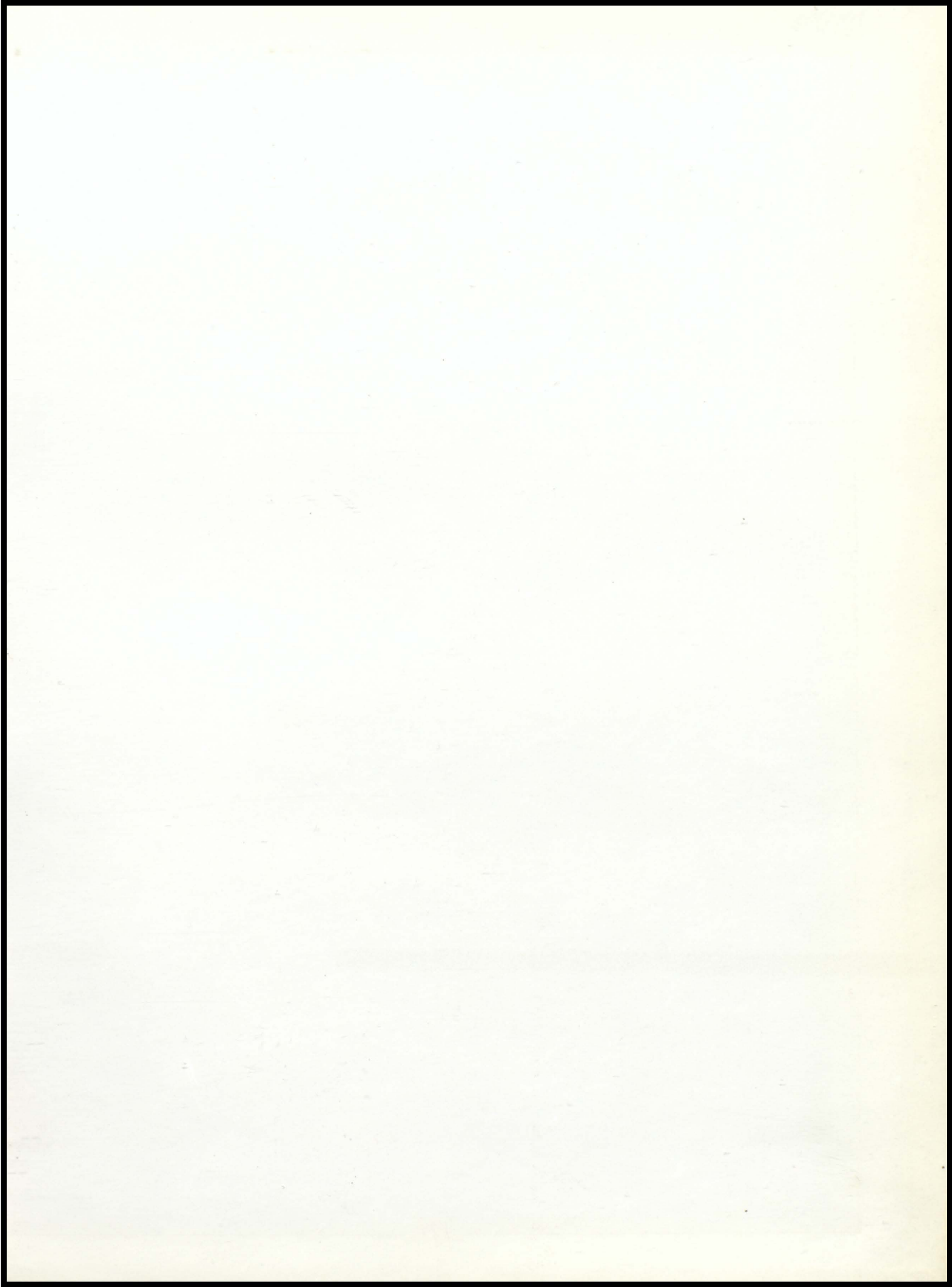


SPORTS TALK:

Favorite Sports: _____

Favorite Teams: _____

Favorite Sports Figures: _____



“Alma Mater”

***For it's always fair weather
When Malcolm X Shabazz gets together
Though the world may forsake thee
We will always loyal be
For it's always fair weather
When Malcolm X Shabazz gets together
We'll be loyal forever to our colors
Black and Gold***

“Lift Every Voice and Sing”

*Lift every voice and sing
Till earth and heaven ring
Ring with the harmonies of liberty.
Let our rejoicing rise
High as the listening skies
Let it resound
Loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of faith that the
dark past has taught us
Sing a song full of the hope that the
present has brought us.
Facing the rising sun
Of our new day begun
Let us march on
Till victory is won!*

— James Weldon Johnson

